FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* EAGLE MICHAEL L 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 03/28/2010					3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CADENCE PHARMACEUTICALS INC</u> [CADX]							
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CADENCE PHARMACEUTICALS,					Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner			(N	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
INC. 12481 HIGH BLUFF DRIVE, STE. 200						Officer (give title below)	Other (spe below)	, 10.	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person			
(Street) SAN DIEGO	CA	92130							Form filed by Reporting P	y More than One erson		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)										
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned												
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
No shares are beneficially owned						0	D					
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)												
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) 2. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			ate	and 3. Title and Amount of Secu Underlying Derivative Secur		ity (Instr. 4) Conve		rcise Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title	e	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security				

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

/s/ Hazel M. Aker Attorney-in-

<u>fact</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Da

Date

03/29/2010

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby authorizes Theodore R. Schroeder, William R. LaRue and Hazel M. Aker of Cadence Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "Company"), and each of them individually to execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer of the Company, Forms 3, 4 and 5, and any amendments thereto, and cause such form(s) to be filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Act of 1934, relating to the undersigned's beneficial ownership of securities in the Company. The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of, and transactions in, securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has cause this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 29th day of March, 2010.

/s/ Michael L. Eagle Michael L. Eagle