

CHEESECAKE FACTORY INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 SLOMANN CHERYL

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 CHEESECAKE FACTORY INC  
 [CAKE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 26901 MALIBU HILLS ROAD  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/03/2016

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Principal Accounting Officer

CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock				(A) or (D)	11,217	D	
Common Stock				(A) or (D)	500	I	By Trust (1)
Common Stock				(A) or (D)	13	I	By IRA

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 0	03/03/2016		A	3,800	<u>(3)</u> <u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	3,800
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 50.26	03/03/2016		A	6,700	<u>(4)</u> 03/03/2024	Common Stock	6,700

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SLOMANN CHERYL 26901 MALIBU HILLS ROAD CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301			Principal Accounting Officer	

## Signatures

Cheryl Slomann                      03/07/2016

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person                      Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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).
- (1) Shares held by the Mark D. and Cheryl M. Slomann Trust u/a 4/7/1997 of which the reporting person and her spouse are trustees.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of CAKE common stock.
- (3) Represents restricted stock units that vest 60% on 3/3/2019 and 20% on each of 3/3/2020 and 2021.
- (4) Vests as to 20% of the options on each of 3/3/17, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021.

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