

CHEESECAKE FACTORY INC
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FORM 4

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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)
 03/02/2017

____ 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)
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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)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock					11,538	D	
Common Stock					500	I	By Trust (1)
Common Stock					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 ⁽²⁾	\$ 0	03/02/2017		A	3,200	<u>(3)</u> <u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	3,200
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 61.59	03/02/2017		A	5,600	<u>(4)</u> 03/02/2025	Common Stock	5,600

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 03/06/2017

**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 3/2/2020 and 20% on each of 3/2/2021 and 2022.
- (4) Vests as to 20% of the options on each of 3/2/18, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022.

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