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Form 4
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U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or
Section 30(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Check box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations
may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*

Heckel Gary

(Last) (First) (Middle)

5900 LAKE ELLENOR DRIVE

(Street)

ORLANDO FLORIDA 32809

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

DARDEN RESTAURANTS, INC. (DRI)

3. IRS Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an Entity (Voluntary)

4. Statement for Month/Year

7/2001

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

6. Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line)

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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 (mm/dd/yy)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Price
		Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	
Common Stock	07/17/01	M		5,000	A	\$10.9375
Common Stock	07/17/01	M		5,000	A	\$10.9375
Common Stock	07/17/01	S		5,000	D	\$31.00
Common Stock	07/17/01	S		5,000	D	\$32.00

* If the Form is filed by more than one Reporting Person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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

(Print or Type Response)

(Over)

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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. Conver- sion or Exer- cise Price of Deriv- ative Secur- ity	3. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	4. Trans- action Code (Instr. 8) ----- Code V	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) ----- (A) (D)	6. Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) ----- Date Expira- tion		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) ----- Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$10.9375	07/17/01	M	5,000	05/30/00	05/30/05	Common Stock 5,000
Stock Option	\$10.9375	07/17/01	M	5,000	05/30/00	05/30/05	Common Stock 5,000

Explanation of Responses:
 1 Restricted Stock Award authorized by Darden Restaurants, Inc. Board of Directors.

/s/ Douglas E. Wentz 8/10/01

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

BY: DOUGLAS E. WENTZ, Attorney-in-fact

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** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal
Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed.
If space provided is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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