

BASSI PETER A
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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 *
BASSI PETER A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

7755 CENTER AVENUE

(Street)

HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92647

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
BJs RESTAURANTS INC [BJRI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/18/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock, no par value | | | | (A) or (D) Price | 15,000 | I | By Trust |

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)

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| 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Non-Qualified Stock Options | \$ 22.14 | | | | | 01/15/2011 ⁽²⁾ 01/15/2020 | Common Stock |
| Stock Options | \$ 14.68 | | | | | 08/31/2005 ⁽¹⁾ 08/31/2014 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Options(right to buy) | \$ 14.94 | | | | | 01/15/2006 ⁽²⁾ 01/15/2015 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Options(right to buy) | \$ 23.61 | | | | | 01/17/2007 ⁽²⁾ 01/17/2016 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) | \$ 20.81 | | | | | 01/16/2008 ⁽²⁾ 01/16/2017 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Options | \$ 12.78 | | | | | 01/15/2009 ⁽²⁾ 01/15/2018 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Options | \$ 9.37 | | | | | 01/15/2010 ⁽²⁾ 01/15/2019 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Options | \$ 35.78 | 01/18/2011 | | A | 2,968 | 01/18/2012 ⁽²⁾ 01/18/2021 | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BASSI PETER A 7755 CENTER AVENUE HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92647 | | X | | |

Signatures

Dianne Scott Attorney-in-fact for Peter A.
Bassi

01/19/2011

__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) The options vest 50% per year beginning on the first anniversary (8/31/2005) of the date of grant (8/31/2004).

(2) The options vest 33 1/3% per year beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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