

WILLIAMS SONOMA INC
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Whalen Julie

(Last) (First) (Middle)
3250 VAN NESS AVE.

(Street)

SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94109

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

WILLIAMS SONOMA INC [WSM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/26/2013

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)
EVP Chief Financial Officer

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount or Price | | |
| Common Stock | 03/26/2013 | | M | | 15,000 A \$ 8.56 | 18,849 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/26/2013 | | F | | 4,670 (1) D \$ 50.54 | 14,179 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/26/2013 | | D | | 2,541 (2) D \$ 50.54 | 11,638 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/28/2013 | | S | | 7,789 D \$ 51.1563 (3) | 3,849 | D |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 899 | I By Managed |

Account
(4)

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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Stock Appreciation Rights | \$ 8.56 | 03/26/2013 | | M | 15,000 | (5) 11/07/2018 | Common Stock | 15,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Whalen Julie 3250 VAN NESS AVE. SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94109 | | | EVP Chief Financial Officer | |

Signatures

/s/ Laurel Pies, Attorney-in-Fact for Julie Whalen
03/28/2013

**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) Reflects the number of shares retained by the issuer to satisfy tax withholding requirements in connection with the reporting person's exercise of a stock-settled stock appreciation right.
- (2) Reflects the number of shares retained by the issuer in connection with the reporting person's exercise of a stock-settled stock appreciation right.

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- Reflects the weighted average price as the shares were sold in multiple transactions. The per share transaction price ranged from \$51.14 to
- (3) \$51.18. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
 - (4) Represents the number of shares held by the reporting person in the Williams-Sonoma, Inc. Stock Fund under the Williams-Sonoma, Inc. 401(k) Plan, based on a statement dated March 26, 2013.
 - (5) These stock appreciation rights are fully vested and immediately exercisable.

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