

CHEESECAKE FACTORY INC
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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 *
 Gordon David M

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/01/2016

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

C/O THE CHEESECAKE
 FACTORY INC., 26901 MALIBU
 HILLS DRIVE

(Street)

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

CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301

(City) (State) (Zip)

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)
			Code	V	Amount or Price (A) or (D)		
Common Stock	03/01/2016		M		10,000 A \$ 31.1	11,701	D
Common Stock	03/01/2016		M		4,800 A \$ 29.29	16,501	D
Common Stock	03/01/2016		S		14,800 D \$ 51.08	1,701	D
Common Stock						26,200 ⁽²⁾	D

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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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 31.1	03/01/2016		M	10,000	01/06/2012 01/06/2019	Common Stock 10,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.29	03/01/2016		M	4,800	01/05/2013 01/05/2020	Common Stock 4,800

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Gordon David M
C/O THE CHEESECAKE FACTORY INC.
26901 MALIBU HILLS DRIVE
CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301

President

Signatures

David M. Gordon by Debby Zurzolo, his attorney in fact

03/03/2016

**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).

The price reported in column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions ranging from \$51.06 to \$51.15, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to CAKE Corporation, any security holder of CAKE Corporation, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnote (2) to this Form 4.

(1) Shares of restricted stock subject to forfeiture.

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