

CHEESECAKE FACTORY INC  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
ZURZOLO DEBBY R

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)  
03/05/2015

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Exec VP, Gen Counsel & Secy

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)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V Amount (D) Price  |   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/05/2015                           |  | A                              | 4,400 (1) A \$ 0  | 18,800 (2)  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 27,465  | I  | By Trust (3)  |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 757   | I  | By SEP 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 48.01   | 03/05/2015                           |  | A                              | 13,000  | (4) 03/05/2023   | Common Stock  | 13,000                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                             |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                     | Other |
| ZURZOLO DEBBY R<br>26901 MALIBU HILLS ROAD<br>CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301 |               |           | Exec VP, Gen Counsel & Secy |       |

## Signatures

Debby Zurzolo 03/09/2015  
 \*\*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).
- Shares of restricted stock subject to the following vesting conditions: Performance condition based on the Issuer's cumulative
- (1) fully-diluted earnings per share of (i) a combined target for 2015 and 2016, or (ii) a combined target for 2015, 2016 and 2017, whichever occurs first, then time-based vesting at a rate of 60% of the shares on 3/5/2018 and 20% on each of 3/5/2019 and 3/5/2020.
  - (2) Shares of restricted stock subject to forfeiture.
  - (3) Held by the Debby R. Chinski Living Trust of which the reporting person is trustee.
  - (4) Vests as to 20% of the options on each of 3/5/2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020.

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