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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Maddox Wes

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

FREDS INC [FRED]

(Check all applicable)

SVP

(First)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 05/31/2016

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title

below)

Other (specify below)

4300 NEW GETWELL ROAD

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

MEMPHIS, TN 38118

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (T)

(Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) Code V Amount (D) Price

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Following

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of Derivative Security

(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

or Disposed of

(D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V

(A)

(D) Date Exercisable Expiration Title Date

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12,00

Options

on Class A

\$ 14.68 05/31/2016(1) $A^{(1)}$ 12,000

05/31/2017(1) 05/31/2023 Common

Class A

Stock

Common Stock (1)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Maddox Wes

4300 NEW GETWELL ROAD

SVP

MEMPHIS, TN 38118

Signatures

Jerry Shore by power of attorney

06/02/2016

**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).
- (1) Granted options which vest 20% per year on the anniversary of the grant date.

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