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Form 4

July 10, 2001

U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Check box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations
may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*

Lee

Joe

R.

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

5900 LAKE ELLENOR DRIVE

(Street)

ORLANDO

FLORIDA

32859-3330

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

DARDEN RESTAURANTS, INC. (DRI)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

3. IRS Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an Entity (Voluntary)

6/2001

4. Statement for Month/Year

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

6. Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

Director

10% Owner

Officer (give title below)

Other (specify below)

CHAIRMAN & CEO

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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. Conver- sion or Exer- cise Price of Deriv- ative Secur- ity	3. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	4. Trans- action Code (Instr. 8) ----- Code V	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) ----- (A) (D)	6. Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) ----- Date Expira- tion Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) ----- Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$25.635	06/20/01	A V	245,000	06/20/04 06/20/11	Common Stock 245,000

Explanation of Responses:

- Includes shares acquired pursuant to reinvestment of dividend on ESOP shares held in the Darden Restaurants, Inc. Savings Plan for all participants, including the reporting person.
- Restricted Stock Award authorized by Darden Restaurants, Inc. Board of Directors.

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**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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