

CHEESECAKE FACTORY INC

Form 4

April 25, 2017

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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See Instruction  
1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
BENN DOUG

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 RD  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
04/24/2017

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)  
Exec VP, CFO

CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

(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 (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	04/24/2017		M		18,500 (1)	A	\$ 29.29 70,261 D
Common Stock	04/24/2017		S		16,382 (1)	D	\$ 64 53,879 D
Common Stock	04/24/2017		S		519 (1)	D	\$ 64.6634 53,360 D
Common Stock							8,800 (2) D
Common Stock							5,000 I By IRA

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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)	\$ 29.29	04/24/2017		M		18,500		01/05/2013	01/05/2020	Common Stock	18,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
BENN DOUG 26901 MALIBU HILLS RD CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301	Exec VP, CFO

## Signatures

W. Douglas  
Benn 04/25/2017  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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) Pursuant to 10b5-1 trading plan.
- (2) Shares of restricted stock subject to forfeiture.

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