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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

Name and Address of Reporting Person * Floyd Mark	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle)	FREDS INC [FRED] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
4300 NEW GETWELL ROAD	(Month/Day/Year) 07/27/2012	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specification) SVP			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)			
MEMPHIS, TN 38118		_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Noi	n-Derivative Securiti	es Acquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction	Date 2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature

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Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onAcquired (A) or	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Disposed of (D)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
					Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					Reported		

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price (Instr. 3 and 4

Class A Common

 $07/27/2012_{\underline{(1)}}$ $J_{\underline{(1)}}$ 0.972 0.972 0.972 0.972 0.972

Stock

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)

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						Date	Expiration	Title	Number		
						Exercisable	Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Floyd Mark						
4300 NEW GETWELL ROAD			SVP			
MEMPHIS, TN 38118						

Signatures

Anita Ryan by power of attorney

08/02/2012

**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) Cancellation of restricteed stock no longer employed by Fred's.

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