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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Â Jefferies Capital Partners LLC (Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O JEFFERIES CAPITAL PARTNERS,Â 520 MADISON AVENUE, 10TH FLOOR (Street)  NEW YORK,Â NYÂ 10022 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 05/07/2012	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Fiesta Restaurant Group, Inc. [FRGI]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)  <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>	6,559,739 <u>(2)</u>	I	See Footnote <u>(1)</u>

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Jefferies Capital Partners LLC C/O JEFFERIES CAPITAL PARTNERS 520 MADISON AVENUE, 10TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	^	^ X	^	^
JEFFERIES CAPITAL PARTNERS IV LP C/O JEFFERIES CAPITAL PARTNERS 520 MADISON AVENUE, 10TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	^	^ X	^	^
Jefferies Employee Partners IV LLC C/O JEFFERIES CAPITAL PARTNERS 520 MADISON AVENUE, 10TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	^	^ X	^	^
JCP IV LLC C/O JEFFERIES CAPITAL PARTNERS 520 MADISON AVENUE, 10TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	^	^ X	^	^
JCP PARTNERS IV LLC C/O JEFFERIES CAPITAL PARTNERS 520 MADISON AVENUE, 10TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	^	^ X	^	^
LUIKART JAMES L C/O JEFFERIES CAPITAL PARTNERS 520 MADISON AVENUE, 10TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	^	^ X	^	^

## Signatures

/s/ Brian P. Friedman                      05/17/2012

\*\*Signature of                      Date  
Reporting Person

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) See Exhibit 99.
- (2) See Exhibit 99.

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**Remarks:**

This report is filed jointly by Jefferies Capital Partners, General Partner, Manager and Mr. Luikart,

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