

CHEESECAKE FACTORY INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**ZURZOLO DEBBY R**

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 ROAD**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**02/22/2016**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Exec VP, Gen Counsel & Secy

**CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301**  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/22/2016		M	3,200 A \$ 35.62	31,050	I	By Trust (1)
Common Stock	02/22/2016		S	500 D \$ 50.02	30,550	I	By Trust (1)
Common Stock	02/22/2016		S	2,000 D \$ 50.15	28,550	I	By Trust (1)
Common Stock	02/22/2016		S	1,200 D \$ 50.16	27,350	I	By Trust (1)
Common Stock	02/23/2016		M	3,200 A \$ 35.62	30,550	I	By Trust (1)

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Common Stock	02/23/2016	S	500	D	\$ 50.3	30,050	I	By Trust (1)
Common Stock	02/23/2016	S	1,100	D	\$ 50.35	28,950	I	By Trust (1)
Common Stock	02/23/2016	S	1,600	D	\$ 50.36	27,350	I	By Trust (1)
Common Stock	02/23/2016	S	166	D	\$ 50.38	27,184	I	By Trust (1)
Common Stock	02/23/2016	S	500	D	\$ 50.39	26,684	I	By Trust (1)
Common Stock	02/23/2016	S	552	D	\$ 50.6	26,132	I	By Trust (1)
Common Stock	02/23/2016	S	334	D	\$ 50.85	25,798	I	By Trust (1)
Common Stock						16,200 (2)	D	
Common Stock						757	I	By SEP IRA

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)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 35.62	02/22/2016		M	3,200	03/07/2014	03/07/2021	Common Stock	3,200

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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ZURZOLO DEBBY R 26901 MALIBU HILLS ROAD CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301			Exec VP, Gen Counsel & Secy	

## Signatures

Debby Zurzolo                      02/24/2016

\_\_Signature of                      Date  
Reporting Person

## 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) Held by the Debby R. Chinski Living Trust of which the reporting person is trustee.
  - (2) Shares of restricted stock subject to forfeiture.

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