

RED ROBIN GOURMET BURGERS INC  
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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 \*  
 Post Denny Marie

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 RED ROBIN GOURMET BURGERS INC [RRGB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 6312 S. FIDDLER'S GREEN  
 CIRCLE, SUITE 200N  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 10/03/2016

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 President and CEO

GREENWOOD  
 VILLAGE, CO 80111

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	10/03/2016		F	293 <sup>(1)</sup> D	\$ 45.52 8,347 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Stock	10/03/2016		A	1,761 <sup>(3)</sup> A	\$ 0 10,108 <sup>(4)</sup>	D	

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)	\$ 45.52	10/03/2016		A	10,453	(5) 10/03/2026		Common Stock	10,453

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Post Denny Marie 6312 S. FIDDLER'S GREEN CIRCLE SUITE 200N GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111			President and CEO	

## Signatures

/s/ Michael L. Kaplan,  
Attorney-in-Fact

10/05/2016

\*\*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).

In connection with the vesting of 919 time-based restricted stock units, which were granted on October 1, 2014 under the issuer's Second Amended and Restated 2007 Performance Incentive Plan, the reporting person sold 293 of such shares to the issuer to satisfy her tax withholding obligations. The sale was approved by the issuer's Compensation Committee in accordance with Rule 16b-3(d)(1) of the Exchange Act (the "Act"), and as such, the sale is exempt from Section 16(b) of the Act pursuant to Rule 16b-3(e) promulgated thereunder.

(2) Includes 5,865 restricted stock units subject to vesting and forfeiture restrictions.

(3) Represents a grant of time-based restricted stock units under the issuer's Second Amended and Restated 2007 Performance Incentive Plan. Each time-based restricted stock unit represents the contingent right to receive, upon vesting of the unit, one share of the issuer's common stock. One-fourth (1/4) of the units are scheduled to vest on each of the first, second, third and fourth anniversaries of the date of grant. The closing price on the date of grant, October 3, 2016, was \$45.52.

(4) Includes 7,626 restricted stock units subject to vesting and forfeiture restrictions.

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(5) One-fourth (1/4) of the options are scheduled to vest on each of the first, second, third, and fourth anniversaries of the date of grant.

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