

Pinsak Christopher P
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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|---|---------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | |
| Pinsak Christopher P | | (Month/Day/Year) | BJs RESTAURANTS INC [BJRI] | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 02/09/2011 | |
| 7755 CENTER AVENUE, SUITE 300 | | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| (Street) | | | (Check all applicable) | |
| HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92647 | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| | | | Sr. Regional VP, Operations | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |

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 | 5,836 ⁽¹⁾ | D | À |

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 Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|---|--|--|---|
| | Date Exercisable | Title | | | |

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| | Expiration Date | Amount or Number of Shares | or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Non Qualified Stock Options | 12/29/2011 ⁽²⁾ 12/29/2020 | Common Stock 2,931 \$ 37.03 | D Â |
| Non Qualified Stock Options | 12/30/2010 ⁽²⁾ 12/30/2019 | Common Stock 10,083 \$ 18.86 | D Â |
| Non Qualified Stock Options | 12/31/2009 ⁽²⁾ 12/31/2018 | Common Stock 9,600 \$ 10.11 | D Â |
| Non Qualified Stock Options | 01/02/2009 ⁽²⁾ 01/02/2018 | Common Stock 5,432 \$ 16.63 | D Â |
| Non Qualified Stock Options | 01/03/2008 ⁽²⁾ 01/03/2017 | Common Stock 10,000 \$ 19.96 | D Â |
| Non Qualified Stock Options | 01/04/2007 ⁽²⁾ 01/04/2017 | Common Stock 5,000 \$ 23.26 | D Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Pinsak Christopher P 7755 CENTER AVENUE SUITE 300 HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92647 | Â | Â | Â Sr. Regional VP, Operations | Â |

Signatures

Dianne Scott Attorney-in-Fact for Christopher P. Pinsak
Date: 02/10/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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) These shares represent restricted stock options awards. 2,256 shares vesting in five equal installments beginning 1/2/2009; 2,500 shares vesting in five equal installments beginning on 12/31/2009; 1,080 shares vesting in five equal installments beginning on 12/29/2011.
- (2) The options vest 20% per year beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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