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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add ALBER LAUI		ng Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WILLIAMS SONOMA INC [WSM]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
3250 VAN NESS AVENUE			(Month/Day/Year) 01/30/2011	_X_ Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) PRESIDENT & CEO		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94109			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Di (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/30/2011		M	75,000	A	\$ 0	122,091	D	
Common Stock	01/30/2011		F	31,918 (1)	D	\$ 32.34	90,173	D	
Common Stock	01/31/2011		J	808	A	\$ 32.34	11,306 (2)	I	by Managed Account

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Instr. 3, 4,		(Instr. 3 and 4)		8. D So (I
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	01/30/2011		M	75,000	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	75,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
ALBER LAURA 3250 VAN NESS AVENUE SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94109	X		PRESIDENT & CEO			

Signatures

By: Attorney-in-Fact: Laurel Pies For: Laura
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02/01/2011

**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) Represents the number of shares withheld upon vesting of restricted stock units to cover tax withholding obligations.
- The reporting person owns \$365,644.57 in the Williams-Sonoma, Inc. stock fund under the Williams-Sonoma, Inc. 401(k) Plan, based on a statement dated January 31, 2011. The number of shares indirectly owned was calculated by dividing the amount owned in the Williams-Sonoma, Inc. stock fund by \$32.34, the closing price of Williams-Sonoma, Inc. common stock on January 28, 2011.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of WSM common stock.
- (4) The restricted stock units vested and shares of WSM common stock were deliverable on January 30, 2011.
- (5) The restricted stock units were cancelled upon vesting and delivery of shares of WSM common stock.

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