### CHEESECAKE FACTORY INC

Form 4

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# FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ZURZOLO DEBBY R	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> 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	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/22/2016	Director 10% Owner Softicer (give title Other (specify below) below)  Exec VP, Gen Counsel & Secy		
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or		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	02/22/2016		Code V M	Amount 3,200	(D)	Price \$ 35.62	31,050	I	By Trust	
Common Stock	02/22/2016		S	500	D	\$ 50.02	30,550	I	By Trust	
Common Stock	02/22/2016		S	2,000	D	\$ 50.15	28,550	I	By Trust	
Common Stock	02/22/2016		S	1,200	D	\$ 50.16	27,350	I	By Trust	
Common Stock	02/23/2016		M	3,200	A	\$ 35.62	30,550	I	By Trust	

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Common Stock	02/23/2016	S	500	D	\$ 50.3	30,050	I	By Trust
Common Stock	02/23/2016	S	1,100	D	\$ 50.35	28,950	I	By Trust
Common Stock	02/23/2016	S	1,600	D	\$ 50.36	27,350	I	By Trust
Common Stock	02/23/2016	S	166	D	\$ 50.38	27,184	I	By Trust
Common Stock	02/23/2016	S	500	D	\$ 50.39	26,684	I	By Trust
Common Stock	02/23/2016	S	552	D	\$ 50.6	26,132	I	By Trust
Common Stock	02/23/2016	S	334	D	\$ 50.85	25,798	I	By Trust
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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# $\label{thm:convertible} \textbf{Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned} \\ \textit{(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)}$

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. Transactic 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)	\$ 35.62	02/22/2016		M	3,200	03/07/2014	03/07/2021	Common Stock	3,200

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Employee Stock

Option \$ 35.62 02/23/2016 M 3,200 03/07/2014 03/07/2021 Common Stock 3,200

(right to buy)

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ZURZOLO DEBBY R

26901 MALIBU HILLS ROAD Exec VP, Gen Counsel & Secy

CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301

# **Signatures**

Debby Zurzolo 02/24/2016

\*\*Signature of Person

\*\*Butter

\*\*Butter

\*\*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) 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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