

BOSTON BEER CO INC
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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 *

Wade Kathleen H

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC., 1 DESIGN CENTER PL., SUITE 850

(Street)

BOSTON, MA 02210

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)
 03/01/2015

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP - Legal and Secretary

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) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction | 5. Number of | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|--------------|---|--|
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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--|----------------------|-----------------|--|------------------|------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 241.79 | 03/01/2015 | A | | 134 | | 03/01/2015 ⁽¹⁾ | 12/31/2023 | Class A Common | 670 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Wade Kathleen H C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC. 1 DESIGN CENTER PL., SUITE 850 BOSTON, MA 02210 | | | VP - Legal and Secretary | |

Signatures

Kathleen H. Wade
 03/02/2015
 __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).
- On 1/1/2014, the Issuer granted the Reporting Person a contingent vesting option of 670 shares of Class A Common Stock. On 2/23/2015, the Issuer determined that the performance criteria set forth in the option had been met, and therefore the entire option will vest and (1) become exercisable as follows: 134 shares each on 3/1/2015, 1/1/2016, 1/1/2017, 1/1/2018, and 1/1/2019, provided that the Reporting Person remains employed by the Issuer as of the applicable vesting date, subject to accelerated vesting for recipients over the age of 65 with respect to certain shares.

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