

Hood Matthew D
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Hood Matthew D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 BJ's RESTAURANTS INC [BJRI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 7755 CENTER AVENUE, SUITE 300
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/29/2011

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Chief Marketing Officer

HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92647
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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)	Price		
Common Stock ⁽²⁾	12/29/2011		F	80	D \$ 45.68	16,597	D
Common Stock						350	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)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Non Qualified Stock Option	\$ 37.03					12/29/2011 12/29/2020	Common Stock	2,931 ⁽¹⁾
Non Qualified Stock Option	\$ 18.86					12/30/2010 12/30/2019	Common Stock	11,635 ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock	\$ 10.11					12/31/2009 12/31/2018	Common Stock	6,000 ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock	\$ 10.69					07/29/2009 07/29/2018	Common Stock	10,000 ⁽¹⁾

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hood Matthew D 7755 CENTER AVENUE SUITE 300 HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92647			Chief Marketing Officer	

Signatures

/s/Dianne Scott Attorney-in-Fact for Matthew D.
Hood

12/30/2011

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) The options vest 20% beginning on the date exercisable, the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (2) Shares withheld by Registrant to satisfy minimum statutory withholding requirements on vesting of restricted stock units.

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