BLUE NILE INC Form 4 January 03, 2012

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 * IRVINE DIANE M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			BLUE NILE INC [NILE]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
C/O BLUE NILE, INC., 411 FIRST AVENUE S, STE 700 (Street)			12/29/2011	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify			
			12,2,72011	below) below)			
				Former CEO			
			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Ch			

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

SEATTLE, WA 98104

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	red, 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 Acquire Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or		D) 5)	5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	12/29/2011		Code V M	Amount 11,730	(D) A	Price \$ 30	60,219	D	
Common Stock	12/29/2011		S <u>(1)</u>	11,730	D	\$ 40.2459 (2)	48,489	D	
Common Stock	12/29/2011		M	28,270	A	\$ 31.26	76,759	D	
Common Stock	12/29/2011		S <u>(1)</u>	28,270	D	\$ 40.2459 (2)	48,489	D	
	12/30/2011		M	15,000	A	\$ 31.26	63,489	D	

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.									
Common Stock						1,160	I	By Daughter	
Common Stock						1,160	I	By Daughter	
Common Stock						1,160	I	By Son	
Common Stock	12/30/2011	S <u>(1)</u>	15,000	D	\$ 40.9418 (3)	48,489	D		
Common Stock									

 $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

number.

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 orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration I (Month/Day	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	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 30	12/29/2011		M	11,73	0 (4)	07/26/2014	Common Stock	11,730	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.26	12/29/2011		M	28,27	0 (6)	05/31/2016	Common Stock	28,270	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.26	12/30/2011		M	15,00	0 (6)	05/31/2016	Common Stock	15,000	

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

IRVINE DIANE M C/O BLUE NILE, INC. 411 FIRST AVENUE S, STE 700 SEATTLE, WA 98104

Former CEO

Signatures

/s/ Lauren Neiswender, Power of Attorney

01/03/2012

**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) Any short-swing profits will be paid to the company as required by Rule 16(b) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934.
- (2) Represents the weighted average sale price. The highest price at which shares were sold was \$41.13 and lowest price at which shares were sold was \$40.00.
- (3) Represents the weighted average sale price. The highest price at which shares were sold was \$41.25 and lowest price at which shares were sold was \$40.75.
- (4) 25% of the option shares vested on August 26, 2005 and one-forty-eighth of the option shares vested in equal monthly installments over the following thirty-six months. As of November 11, 2011, all unvested options were canceled.
- (5) Not applicable.
- (6) 25% of the option shares vested on June 1, 2007 and one-forty-eighth of the option shares vested in equal monthly installments over the following thirty-six months. As of November 11, 2011, all unvested options were canceled.

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