

Kinsell S. Kirk  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Kinsell S. Kirk (Last) (First) (Middle)  300 JOHNNY BENCH DRIVE (Street)  OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73104 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 01/31/2018	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SONIC CORP [SONC]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	0	D	^

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable    Expiration Date	Title    Amount or Number of			

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Restricted Stock Units	Â (1)	Â (1)	Common Stock	2,032	\$ 0	D	Â
Nonqualified Stock Options (right to buy)	Â (2)	01/31/2025	Common Stock	8,237	\$ 0	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Kinsell S. Kirk 300 JOHNNY BENCH DRIVE OKLAHOMA CITY,Â OKÂ 73104	Â X	Â	Â	Â

## Signatures

Carolyn C. Cummins for S. Kirk  
Kinsell

02/02/2018

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).

Restricted Stock Units shall vest on the earlier of (i) the first anniversary of the January 31, 2018 Grant Date or (ii) the date of the Sonic

(1) Corp. annual shareholders' meeting in the following year, and will be issued in shares of Sonic Corp. common stock on a one-for-one basis, subject to certain restrictions.

(2) Nonqualified Stock Options shall vest on the earlier of (i) the first anniversary of the January 31, 2018 Grant Date or (ii) the date of the Sonic Corp. annual shareholders' meeting in the following year.

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