**GATOFF ERIC** Form 4 January 02, 2013

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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See Instruction

1(b).

Common

Stock

12/28/2012

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GATOFF ERIC			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NATHANS FAMOUS INC [NATH]				C	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			(Check all applicable)				
C/O NATHAN'S FAMOUS, INC., ONE JERICHO PLAZA			(Month/Day/Year) 12/28/2012					_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Chief Executive Officer		
	(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		
JERICHO,						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative (	Securi	ties Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	) Executio any	med n Date, if Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	sposed 4 and 3 (A) or	of (D)	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	12/28/2012			Code V M	Amount 15,000 (1)	(D)	Price \$ 13.08	29,783	D	
Common Stock	12/28/2012			M	12,500 (2)	A	\$ 17.75	42,283	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date Unit (Month/Day/Year) (In		7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.08	12/28/2012		M	15,000 (1)	06/14/2007(3)	06/13/2016	Common Stock	15,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.75	12/28/2012		M	12,500 (2)	06/06/2012(4)	06/05/2016	Common Stock	12,500

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Ketationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

GATOFF ERIC C/O NATHAN'S FAMOUS, INC. ONE JERICHO PLAZA JERICHO, NY 11753

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Chief Executive Officer

### **Signatures**

Eric Gatoff 01/02/2013

\*\*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) These shares were acquired through the exercise of stock options granted on June 14, 2006 pursuant to the Issuer's 2002 Stock Incentive
- (2) These shares were acquired through the exercise of stock options granted on June 6, 2011 pursuant to the Issuer's 2010 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (3) The 15,000 options vested in equal installments on June 14, 2007, June 14, 2008 and June 14, 2009.
- (4) The 12,500 shares constitute the vested portion of the option granted on June 6, 2011 which was first exercisable on June 6, 2012.

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