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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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| 1. Name and A Killion The | Address of Reporting I O | Symbol | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ZALE CORP [ZLC] | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | |
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| (Last) | (First) (M | fiddle) 3. Date of | Earliest Tra | ansaction | | | (Circe | к ин иррпсион | , |
| | CORPORATION LNUT HILL LAN | | - | | | | _X_ Director _X_ Officer (give below) Chief F | | Owner er (specify er |
| | | 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 Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | | |
| IRVING, T | X 75038 | | | | | | Person | 1010 1111111 0110 110 | porumg |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tabl | e I - Non-D | erivative Se | curiti | es Acqu | uired, Disposed of | f, or Beneficial | ly Owned |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securitie (n(A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4 and Amount | osed c | 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 | 05/29/2014 | | D | 234,778 | D | <u>(1)</u> | 0 | 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)

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| 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. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---------|--|--------------------|---|------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Am Nur Sha |
| Restricted Stock Units (Performance) | \$ 0 | 05/29/2014 | | D | 70,500 | (2) | (2) | Common Stock | 70 |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 05/29/2014 | | D | 70,500 | <u>(3)</u> | (3) | Common Stock | 70 |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 05/29/2014 | | D | 83,750 | <u>(3)</u> | (3) | Common Stock | 83 |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 05/29/2014 | | D | 44,200 | <u>(3)</u> | (3) | Common Stock | 44 |
| Stock Options (right to buy) | \$ 3.95 | 05/29/2014 | | D | 200,000 | <u>(4)</u> | 09/02/2021 | Common Stock | 20 |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 05/29/2014 | | D | 50,000 | (3) | (3) | Common Stock | 50 |
| Stock Options (right to buy) | \$ 2 | 05/29/2014 | | D | 200,000 | <u>(4)</u> | 09/23/2020 | Common Stock | 20 |
| Stock Options (right to buy) | \$ 2.37 | 05/29/2014 | | D | 100,000 | <u>(4)</u> | 02/26/2020 | Common Stock | 10 |
| Stock Options (right to buy) | \$ 26.14 | 05/29/2014 | | D | 82,000 | <u>(4)</u> | 09/16/2018 | Common Stock | 82 |
| Stock Options (right to buy) | \$ 15.69 | 05/29/2014 | | D | 100,000 | <u>(4)</u> | 01/23/2018 | Common Stock | 10 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| Killion Theo C/O ZALE CORPORATION 901 WEST WALNUT HILL LANE IRVING, TX 75038 | X | | Chief Executive Officer | | | |

Signatures

| /s/ Theo Killion | 06/02/2014 | | |
|---------------------------------|------------|--|--|
| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date | | |

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- * 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).
- Pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of February 19, 2014 (the "Merger Agreement"), by and among Zale

 Corporation("Zale"), Signet Jewelers Limited and Carat Merger Sub, Inc., on May 29, 2014, each share of Zale common stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("Common Stock") issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time (as defined in the Merger Agreement), was converted into the right to receive \$21.00 in cash ("the "Merger Consideration").
 - Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, on May 29, 2014, each restricted stock unit subject to performance-based vesting conditions ("Performance-Vested RSU") (x) became fully vested if more than 50% of the relevant performance period was completed as of May 29,
- (2) 2014 or became 50% vested if 50% or less of the relevant performance period was completed as of May 29, 2014 and (y) was converted into the right to receive an amount in cash equal to the merger consideration with respect to each share of Common Stock that vests pursuant to such Performance-Vested RSU.
- Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, on May 29, 2014, each restricted stock unit subject to vesting conditions other than performance-based vesting conditions ("Time-Vested RSU") became fully vested, was canceled and was converted into the right to receive an amount in cash equal to the Merger Consideration with respect to each share of Common Stock subject to such Time-Vested RSU immediately prior to the Effective Time.
 - Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, on May 29, 2014, each Zale stock option, whether vested or unvested, was canceled and converted into the right to receive an amount in cash equal to the excess (if any) of (x) the Merger Consideration multiplied by the number of shares
- (4) of Common Stock underlying such stock option immediately prior to the Effective Time over (y) the aggregate exercise price payable upon exercise of such stock option immediately prior to the Effective Time. Each outstanding stock option that had an exercise price that was greater than or equal to the Merger Consideration was canceled for no consideration.

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