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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Elbogen Noah A. Issuer Symbol BJs RESTAURANTS INC [BJRI] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify 7755 CENTER AVENUE, SUITE 01/15/2018 below) 300 4. If Amendment, Date Original (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92647**

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	I - Non-Do	erivative Securities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities Acquired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on(A) or Disposed of	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(D)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
					Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					Reported		
				(A)	Transaction(s)		
				or	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
			Code V	Amount (D) Price	,		
Common Stock	01/15/2018	01/15/2018	A	$\begin{array}{ccc} 1,327 & A & \$ \\ \underline{(1)} & 37.7 \end{array}$	48,989 (2)	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date U		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Share
Non-Qualified Stock Options	\$ 37.7	01/15/2018	01/15/2018	A	4,652 (3)	01/15/2019	01/15/2028	Common Stock	4,6

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
. 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Elbogen Noah A. 7755 CENTER AVENUE SUITE 300 HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92647	X				

Signatures

/s/ Jacob J. Guild, Attorney-in-Fact for Noah A.
Elbogen 01/16/2018

**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 represent a Restricted Stock Unit award vesting in three equal installments beginning on January 15, 2019. Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock.
- (2) Amount includes 3,101 of unvested Restricted Stock Units.
- (3) These stock options vest 33.3% per year beginning on January 15, 2019.

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