

Bloomin' Brands, Inc.
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
 Smith Jeffrey S

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 2202 NORTH WEST SHORE
 BLVD, SUITE 500
 (Street)

TAMPA, FL 33607

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Bloomin' Brands, Inc. [BLMN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 02/11/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 EVP&Pres Outback Steakhouse

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or (D) Price		
Common Stock	02/11/2016		A		12,714 (1) \$ 16.11	49,487	D
Common Stock	02/11/2016		F		3,678 (2) \$ 16.11	45,809 (3)	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Pri Deriv Secur (Instr	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.5					<u>(4)</u>	04/06/2020	Common Stock	249,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.4					<u>(5)</u>	02/26/2023	Common Stock	43,409
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.32					<u>(6)</u>	02/27/2024	Common Stock	29,157
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.36					<u>(7)</u>	02/26/2025	Common Stock	42,280

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Smith Jeffrey S 2202 NORTH WEST SHORE BLVD SUITE 500 TAMPA, FL 33607			EVP&Pres Outback Steakhouse	

Signatures

/s/ Kelly Lefferts, as
Attorney-in-Fact

02/16/2016

**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) Represents shares of common stock acquired upon vesting of certain performance-based share units as a result of achievement of performance goals.
- (2) These shares were withheld by the issuer to pay for the applicable withholding tax due upon vesting of certain performance-based share units.
- (3) Certain of these shares represent restricted stock issued under a Bloomin' Brands, Inc. stock plan and are subject to a risk of forfeiture. Of such shares, 12,500 continue to be subject to forfeiture under that plan as of the date of this filing.
- (4) This stock option is a replacement stock option and is fully vested.
- (5) This stock option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on February 26, 2014.
- (6) This stock option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on February 27, 2015.
- (7) This stock option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on February 26, 2016.

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