

BENN DOUG
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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 *
BENN DOUG

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CHEESECAKE FACTORY INC
[CAKE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
26901 MALIBU HILLS RD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/07/2010

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
____ 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)
Exec VP, CFO

CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (D) Price		
Common stock	01/07/2010		A		10,000 (1)	A	\$ 0
Common stock					500	I	By IRA

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Options to purchase common stock	\$ 21.42	01/07/2010		A	15,000	<u>(2)</u> 01/07/2018	Common stock	15,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BENN DOUG 26901 MALIBU HILLS RD CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301			Exec VP, CFO	

Signatures

Doug Benn by Debby R. Zurzolo, his attorney in fact
Date: 01/11/2010

__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) Restricted stock award which vests as to 60% shares on 1/7/2013 and 20% of the shares on each of 1/7/2014 and 1/7/2015.

(2) The options vest in five equal installments on each of January 7, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015.

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