Michaels Companies, Inc.

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

Paulonis Denis

(Last)

(First)

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

08/29/2016

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Executive VP - CFO

Michaels Companies, Inc. [MIK]

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O THE MICHAELS COMPANIES, INC., Â 8000 BENT BRANCH DRIVE

(Street)

Director _X__ Officer (give title below) (specify below)

10% Owner Other

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

IRVING, TXÂ 75063

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

(Middle)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

Form: (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Â D

Common Stock

18,314

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Expiration Date

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security** (Instr. 4)

4. 5. Ownership Conversion or Exercise Form of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Price of Derivative Security:

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year)

Derivative

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Option to Purchase Common Stock	(1)	12/08/2024	Common Stock	67,400	\$ 22.75	D	Â
Option to Purchase Common Stock	(2)	09/29/2025	Common Stock	24,710	\$ 23.1	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Paulonis Denis C/O THE MICHAELS COMPANIES, INC. 8000 BENT BRANCH DRIVE IRVING, TX 75063	Â	Â	Executive VP - CFO	Â		

Signatures

Michael J. Veitenheimer, as attorney-in-fact

08/31/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) This option to purchase common stock vests in equal installments annually over four years beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date of December 9, 2014.
- (2) This option to purchase common stock vests in equal installments annually over four years beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date of September 30, 2015.

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Remarks:

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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