BLUE NILE INC Form 4

June 03, 2011

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

obligations may continue. See Instruction

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **GASTON DWIGHT**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BLUE NILE INC [NILE]

(First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 06/01/2011

C/O BLUE NILE, INC., 411 FIRST **AVENUE S. STE 700**

(Street)

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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2005

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Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify below)

below) Senior VP

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

SEATTLE, WA 98104

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | | sed of 4 and (A) or | ` ′ | 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 | 06/01/2011 | | M | 500 | A | \$ 8.75 | 1,913 | D | |
| Common Stock | 06/01/2011 | | S <u>(1)</u> | 500 | D | \$ 48.2801 | 1,413 | 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number on f 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. Pr Deri Secu (Inst |
|---|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|-----------------|---|--|--------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 8.75 | 06/01/2011 | 06/01/2011 | M | 500 | (2) | 10/09/2013 | Common Stock | 500 | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|------------|-------|--|--|--|
| . 9 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| GASTON DWIGHT | | | | | | | |
| C/O BLUE NILE, INC. | | | Senior VP | | | | |
| 411 FIRST AVENUE S, STE 700 | | | Selliol VF | | | | |
| SEATTLE, WA 98104 | | | | | | | |

Signatures

Lauren Neiswender, Power of Attorney 06/03/2011

**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) This sale was affected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
- (2) 25% of the option shares vest on August 26, 2004 and one-forty-eighth of the option shares vest in equal monthly installments over the following thirty-six months.
- (3) Not applicable.

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