LEVIN GREGORY

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LEVIN GREGORY | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BJs RESTAURANTS INC [BJRI] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | |
|---|----------|----------|--|--|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check an applicable) | | |
| | | | (Month/Day/Year) | Director 10% Owner | | |
| 7755 CENTER AVENUE, SUITE | | | 01/15/2019 | X Officer (give title Other (specify below) | | |
| 300 | | | | President and CFO | | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | |
| HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92647 | | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |

| (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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) | | | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 01/15/2019 | 01/15/2019 | F | 621 (1) | D | \$ 53.22 | 36,142 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/15/2019 | 01/15/2019 | F | 387 (1) | D | \$ 53.22 | 35,755 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/15/2019 | 01/15/2019 | F | 494 (1) | D | \$ 53.22 | 35,261 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/15/2019 | 01/15/2019 | A | 3,445 (2) | A | \$ 53.22 | 38,706 (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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. 5. Number of | | 6. Date Exercisable and | | 7. Title and Amou | |
|---------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--|-------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | TransactionDerivative | | Expiration Date | | Underlying Secur | |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code Securities | | (Month/Day/Year) | | (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Am or Nui of S |
| Non-Qualified | \$ 53 22 | 01/15/2019 | 01/15/2019 | A | 11,662 | 01/15/2020 | 01/15/2029 | Common | 11 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LEVIN GREGORY 7755 CENTER AVENUE SUITE 300

President and CFO

HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92647

Signatures

Stock Options

/s/ Jacob J. Guild, Attorney-in-Fact for Gregory S. Levin

01/17/2019

**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) Shares withheld by the Registrant to satisfy minimum statutory withholding requirements on vesting of Restricted Stock Units.
- (2) These shares represent a Restricted Stock Unit award vesting in three equal installments beginning on January 15, 2020. Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock.
- (3) Amount includes 8,944 of unvested Restricted Stock Units.
- (4) These stock options vest 33.3% per year beginning on January 15, 2020.

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