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February 12, 2003

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

FORM 5

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address Of Reporting Person	2. Issuer Name and	ationship of Reporting n to Issuer	
(Last, First, Middle) Gardner, J. Stephen 220 S. Franklin St Tampa, FL 33602	SHELLS SEAFOOD RESTAURANTS, INC. ("SHLL.OB")		_XX_DirectorOfficer10% ownerOtherTitle
	3. IRS ID Number Of Reporting Person, if and		7. Individual or Joint Group Reporting
	entity (voluntary	_x_Form Filed by One Reporting Persor	
	NA	5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month, Year) N/A	than one Reporting

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security 2. Trans- 3. Trans- 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Owner- 7. Nature action action Acquired (A) or Securities ship Indire Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially Form: Benefi (Month/ (Instr. 3,4 and 5) Owned at the Direct Owners Day/ 8) end of (D) or (Instr Issuer's Indirect Year) Amount (D) Price Fiscal Year (I)

none

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, call, convertible securities)

1.Title of 2.Conver- 3.Trans- 4.Trans- 5.Number 6.Date Exercisable 7.Title and 8.Price of Derivative sion or action of and Expiration Amount of Derivative

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Security (Instr. 3)	Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D)	Date (Month/Day/Year)	Underlying Security Securities (Instr. 5) (Instr. 3 and 4)
				(A) (D)	Date Expiration Exercisable Date	
Warrants to purchase common stoc \$0.01 par value per share					1/31/03 1/31/05	Common stock \$.01 par value 4,454,015
Option to purchase common stoc. \$0.01 par value per share	k \$0.42	2/28/02	A	10,000	(2) 2/28/12	Common stock \$.01 par value 10,000 -

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Total number of shares which may be acquired by Shells Investment Partners. Does not reflect Mr. Gardner's allocable percentage of such shares.
- (2) These options are exercisable as to 5,000 shares on each of February 28, 2003 and February 28, 2004.

/s/ J. Stephen Gardner

Signature of Reporting Person 2/12/2003