

WEINSTEIN MICHAEL S  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 WEINSTEIN MICHAEL S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 ARK RESTAURANTS CORP  
 [ARKR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 85 FIFTH AVENUE, 14TH FLOOR  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/19/2008

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 Chairman and Chief Executive

NEW YORK, NY 10003

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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. 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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	17,371	I	The Weinstein Foundation
Common Stock	12/19/2008		G	V 2,400 D \$ 0	1,046,249	D	
Common Stock	12/19/2008		G	V 2,400 A \$ 0	2,400	I	By children (1)

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
Stock Options	\$ 29.6					12/21/2006 12/21/2014	Common Stock	12,500
Stock Options	\$ 32.15	12/19/2008		A	6,250	12/19/2008 12/18/2016	Common Stock	6,250
Stock Options	\$ 32.15					12/19/2007 12/18/2016	Common Stock	6,250

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WEINSTEIN MICHAEL S 85 FIFTH AVENUE 14TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10003	X	X	Chairman and Chief Executive	

## Signatures

/s/ Michael Weinstein  
12/19/2008

\*\*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) On December 19, 2008, Mr. Weinstein transferred via gift 1,200 shares each to his two minor children. As a result, he may be deemed to be the indirect beneficial owner of such shares.

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