WILLIAMS SONOMA INC

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

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

| | | | WILLIAMS SONOMA INC [WSM] | | | | WSM] | (Check all applicable) | | | |
|--|---|--|---|--|--------------|---|-------------|--|--|---|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 3250 VAN NESS AVE. | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/18/2017 | | | | | Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) EVP CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER | | | |
| | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | | | |
| SAN FRAN | ICISCO, CA 94 | | | | | | Person | | | | |
| (City) | (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year | | Date, if | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | (Instr. 3, | ispose 4 and (A) or | d of (D) | 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 | 04/18/2017 | | | M | 5,746 | A | \$ 0 | 38,226 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 04/18/2017 | | | F | 2,189 (1) | D | \$ 54.12 | 36,037 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 04/20/2017 | | | M | 4,117 | A | \$ 0 | 40,154 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 04/20/2017 | | | F | 2,149 (1) | D | \$ 54.4 | 38,005 | D | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 984 | I | By Managed Account (2) | |

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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) | Code | ransaction Derivative Code Securities | | 6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/ | Date | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Pr Deriv Secu (Inst |
|---|---|---|--------|---------------------------------------|-------|---|--------------------|---|--|---------------------------------|
| | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Restricted Stock Units | (3) | 04/18/2017 | M | | 5,746 | <u>(4)</u> | <u>(5)</u> | Common Stock | 5,746 | \$ |
| Restricted Stock Units | (3) | 04/20/2017 | M | | 4,117 | <u>(6)</u> | (5) | Common Stock | 4,117 | \$ |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Whalen Julie

3250 VAN NESS AVE. SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94109 EVP CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Signatures

/s/ Phil Louridas, Attorney-in-Fact for Julie

04/20/2017

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**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) Represents the number of shares withheld upon vesting of restricted stock units to cover tax withholding obligations.
- (2) Represents the number of shares held by the reporting person in the Williams-Sonoma, Inc. Stock Fund under the Williams-Sonoma, Inc. 401(k) Plan, based on a statement dated April 19, 2017.

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- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of WSM common stock.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest in four equal installments on each anniversary of the grant date in 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2020. Vesting of these units is subject to a performance metric.
- (5) The restricted stock units are cancelled upon vesting and delivery of shares of WSM common stock.
- (6) The restricted stock units vest in four equal installments on each anniversary of the grant date in 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019. Vesting of these units is subject to a performance metric.

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