

SLOMANN CHERYL  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
SLOMANN CHERYL

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CHEESECAKE FACTORY INC  
[CAKE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/15/2018

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Principal Accounting Officer

26901 MALIBU HILLS ROAD

(Street)

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

CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301

(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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	02/15/2018		A		4,200 <sup>(1)</sup> \$ 0	D	
Common Stock	03/12/2018		M		4,000 A \$ 29.29	D	
Common Stock	03/12/2018		S		200 D \$ 49.92	D	
Common Stock	03/12/2018		S		200 D \$ 49.952	D	
Common Stock	03/12/2018		S		3,600 D \$ 49.91	D	

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Common Stock	03/12/2018	S	1,500	D	\$ 49.7537	12,528	D	
Common Stock						500	I	By Trust (3)
Common Stock						13	I	By IRA

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 47.06	02/15/2018		A	8,700	(4) 02/15/2026	Common Stock	8,700	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.29	03/12/2018		M	4,000	01/05/2013 01/05/2020	Common Stock	4,000	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SLOMANN CHERYL 26901 MALIBU HILLS ROAD CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301			Principal Accounting Officer	

## Signatures

Cheryl Slomann	03/12/2018
<small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>	<small>Date</small>

## 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) Restricted stock award which vests as to 60% of shares on 2/15/2021, and 20% of shares on each of 2/15/2022 and 2/15/2023.
  - (2) Restricted shares subject to forfeiture.
  - (3) Shares held by the Mark D. and Cheryl M. Slomann Trust u/a4/7/1997 of which the reporting person and her spouse are trustees.
  - (4) Vests as to 20% of the options on each of 2/15/2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023.

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