Bloomin' Brands, Inc. Form SC 13D/A January 25, 2018 SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D/A

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-1(a) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-2(a)

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 1)

Bloomin' Brands, Inc. (Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (Title of Class of Securities)

094235108 (CUSIP Number)

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January 23, 2018 (Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Schedule)

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The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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7,929,638 Shares

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AGGREGATE

AMOUNT IN

12 ROW (11)

EXCLUDES CERTAIN

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PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY

AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

(see Item 5)

8.7%

TYPE OF REPORTING

14 PERSON

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150,000 Shares CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN

12 ROW (11) "

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EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

(see Item 5)

0.16%

TYPE OF REPORTING

14 PERSON

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AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY

OWNED BY EACH

PERSON

5,000 Shares CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN

12 ROW (11)

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EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

(see Item 5)

Less than 0.1%

TYPE OF REPORTING

14 PERSON

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This Amendment No. 1 ("Amendment No. 1") amends and supplements the statement on Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on November 20, 2017 (the "Original Schedule 13D", and together with Amendment No. 1, the "Schedule 13D") with respect to the shares ("Shares") of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of Bloomin' Brands, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Issuer"). Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined in this Amendment No. 1 shall have the meanings set forth in the Original Schedule 13D. This Amendment No. 1 amends Items 3, 5, 6 and 7.

Item 3. SOURCE AND AMOUNT OF FUNDS OR OTHER CONSIDERATION.

Item 3 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and restated as follows:

The 8,084,638 Shares reported herein as beneficially owned by the Reporting Persons were acquired at an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$139.2 million.

The 7,929,638 Shares reported herein by JANA were acquired at an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$136.5 million. Such Shares were acquired with investment funds in accounts managed by JANA and margin borrowings described in the following sentence. Such Shares are held by the investment funds managed by JANA in commingled margin accounts, which may extend margin credit to JANA from time to time, subject to applicable federal margin regulations, stock exchange rules and credit policies. In such instances, the positions held in the margin accounts are pledged as collateral security for the repayment of debit balances in the account. The margin accounts bear interest at a rate based upon the broker's call rate from time to time in effect. Because other securities are held in the margin accounts, it is not possible to determine the amounts, if any, of margin used to purchase the Shares reported herein.

Mr. Murphy used a total of approximately \$2.6 million in the aggregate to acquire the 150,000 Shares reported herein as beneficially owned by him.

Mr. Yanofksy used a total of approximately \$84.3 thousand in the aggregate to acquire the 5,000 Shares reported herein as beneficially owned by him.

Funds for the purchase of the Shares reported herein as beneficially owned by each of the foregoing individuals were derived from the respective personal funds of each such individual.

Item 5. INTEREST IN SECURITIES OF THE COMPANY.

Item 5 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and restated as follows:

(a) The aggregate percentage of Shares reported to be beneficially owned by the Reporting Persons is based upon 91,269,593 Shares outstanding as of October 31, 2017, as reported in the Issuer's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 24, 2017 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 3, 2017.

As of the close of business on the date hereof, JANA may be deemed to beneficially own 7,929,638 Shares, representing approximately 8.7% of the Shares outstanding.

As of the close of business on the date hereof, Mr. Murphy may be deemed to beneficially own 150,000 Shares, representing approximately 0.16% of the Shares outstanding.

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As of the close of business on the date hereof, Mr. Yanofksy may be deemed to beneficially own 5,000 Shares, representing less than 0.1% of the Shares outstanding.

By virtue of the Nominee Agreement (as defined in Item 6 below) and Cooperation Agreement (as defined in Item 6 below), JANA, Mr. Murphy and Mr. Yanofsky may be deemed to have formed a "group" within the meaning of Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act and may be deemed to beneficially own an aggregate of 8,084,638 Shares, representing approximately 8.9% of the outstanding Shares. Each of Mr. Murphy and Mr. Yanofsky expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of the Shares beneficially owned by JANA and each other. JANA expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of the Shares beneficially owned by each of Mr. Murphy and Mr. Yanofsky.

- (b) JANA has sole voting and dispositive power over 7,929,638 Shares, which power is exercised by the Principal. Mr. Murphy has sole voting and dispositive power over the 150,000 Shares beneficially owned by him. Mr. Yanofksy has sole voting and dispositive power over the 5,000 Shares beneficially owned by him.
- (c) Information concerning transactions in the Shares effected by the Reporting Persons during the past sixty days is set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u> hereto and is incorporated herein by reference. All of the transactions in Shares listed hereto were effected in the open market through various brokerage entities.
- (d) No person (other than the Reporting Persons) is known to have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, the Shares.
- (e) Not applicable.

Item CONTRACTS, ARRANGEMENTS, UNDERSTANDINGS OR RELATIONSHIPS WITH RESPECT 6. TO SECURITIES OF THE ISSUER.

Item 6 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

William L. McComb ("Mr. McComb") has entered into a nominee agreement (the "Nominee Agreement") with JANA substantially in the form attached as Exhibit B to the Original Schedule 13D whereby he agreed to become a member of the Slate and stand for election as a director of the Issuer in connection with the Proxy Solicitation. A copy of the form of the Nominee Agreement is attached as Exhibit B to the Original Schedule 13D and is incorporated by reference herein.

Except as otherwise set forth herein and in the Original Schedule 13D, the Reporting Persons have no contracts, arrangements, understandings or relationships with any person with respect to the securities of the Issuer.

Item 7. MATERIAL TO BE FILED AS EXHIBITS.

Item 7 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

Exhibit A: Transactions in the Shares of the Issuer During the Last 60 Days

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: January 25, 2018

JANA PARTNERS LLC

By: /s/ Jennifer Fanjiang Name: Jennifer Fanjiang Title: General Counsel

/s/ Glenn K. Murphy GLENN K. MURPHY

/s/ Neal J. Yanofsky **NEAL J. YANOFSKY**