

CHEESECAKE FACTORY INC  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 KRANSDORF JEROME I

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)  
 26901 MALIBU HILLS ROAD  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 11/17/2016

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	11/17/2016		M	7,500 A	\$ 26.35	21,250	D
Common Stock	11/17/2016		S	7,500 D	\$ 56.987	13,750	D

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)
Non-Employee Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.35	11/17/2016		M	7,500	12/12/2007 12/12/2017	Common Stock 7,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KRANSDORF JEROME I 26901 MALIBU HILLS ROAD CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301		X		

## Signatures

Jerome Kransdorf by Cheryl Slomann, his attorney  
in fact  
11/17/2016

\_\_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) The price reported in column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions ranging from \$56.59 to \$57.19 inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to CAKE Corporation, any security holder of CAKE Corporation, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnote (1) to this Form 4.

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