Auyeung Michael Form 4 March 21, 2019

FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Auyeung Michael

FREDS INC [FRED]

(Middle) (Last) (First)

(Street)

4300 NEW GETWELL RD.

MEMPHIS, TN 38118

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/19/2019

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) below)

SVP of Merchandising

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Person

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

03/19/2019

Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

D

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount (D) Price

Code V

21,886 $A^{(1)}$ \$0 21,886 (1)

Stock (1)

Common

Class A

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)

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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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	Amount Underly Securiti	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Auyeung Michael

4300 NEW GETWELL RD. SVP of Merchandising

MEMPHIS, TN 38118

Signatures

Benjamin L. Morgan by power of attorney. 03/21/2019

**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) Granted shares of restricted stock which vest ratably on an annual basis over a four year period on the anniversary of the grant date.

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