

Smalla Frank H.
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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 *
Smalla Frank H.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/01/2019

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

C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850

(Street)

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 Person

BOSTON, MA 02210

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Class A Common	03/01/2019		A	831 ⁽¹⁾ A \$ 0	6,935 ⁽²⁾	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)

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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. 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 312.56	03/01/2019		A	1,911	03/01/2021 ⁽³⁾ 02/28/2029	Class A Common 1,911

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Smalla Frank H. C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850 BOSTON, MA 02210			Chief Financial Officer	

Signatures

Michael G. Andrews under POA for the benefit of Frank H. Smalla	03/01/2019
**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).
- Represents a grant of Restricted Stock Units ("RSU's") under the Issuer's Restated Employee Equity Incentive Plan ("EEIP"). RSU's
- (1) generally vest in four equal installments over a four year period, provided that the Reporting Person remains employed by the Issuer as of the applicable vesting date.
 - (2) The shares reported include 1,970 shares of restricted stock subject to vesting conditions.
 - (3) The Performance-Based Stock Options were granted pursuant to the Issuer's EEIP. The extent to which the options may become exercisable will be dependent upon the Company achieving certain compounded annual growth rate targets based on net revenue growth in Fiscal Year 2020 over Fiscal Year 2018. The determination of the eligibility for vesting of these options will be made by the Compensation Committee before March 1, 2021.

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