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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Fishman Steven S Issuer Symbol **BIG LOTS INC [BIG]** (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X_ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title 300 PHILLIPI ROAD 03/20/2012 below)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

_ Other (specify

Chairman, CEO & President

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

COLUMBUS, OH 43228

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative S	Securit	ties Acqui	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly 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 corr Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	d of (I))	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)
Common Stock	03/20/2012		Code V M	Amount 62,500	(D)	Price \$ 28.73	552,500	D	
Common Stock	03/20/2012		M	165,000	A	\$ 21.06	717,500	D	
Common Stock	03/20/2012		S	227,500	D	\$ 45.23 (1)	490,000	D	
Common Stock							353,933	I	By grantor retained

annuity

trust (2)

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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 or 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 Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou Numb Share
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 28.73	03/20/2012		M	62,500	03/13/2011(3)	03/13/2014	Common Stock	62,5
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 21.06	03/20/2012		M	165,000	03/07/2012(3)	03/07/2015	Common Stock	165,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Fishman Steven S 300 PHILLIPI ROAD	X		Chairman, CEO & President			
COLUMBUS, OH 43228	11		chamman, old to the resident			

Signatures

Joseph Y. Heuer, Attorney-in-fact for Steven S.
Fishman

03/21/2012

**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).

The value represents the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on the corresponding line. The actual sales prices for the transactions reported on the corresponding line ranged from \$45.00 to \$45.56. The reporting person undertakes to provide (upon request by the SEC, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer) full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

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- On November 17, 2010, the reporting person contributed 210,058 shares of BIG common stock to a grantor retained annuity trust for the benefit of himself and his heirs and, on July 14, 2011, the reporting person contributed 143,875 shares of BIG common stock to a grantor retained annuity trust for the benefit of himself and his heirs.
- (3) The date upon which the Stock Purchase Option became fully exercisable.

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