Michaels Companies, Inc.

Form 4

January 12, 2015

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of F PAPPAS PHILO | Reporting Person * | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | |
|---|--------------------|--|---|--|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle | | Michaels Companies, Inc. [MIK] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check all applicable) | | | |
| C/O THE MICHAEL COMPANIES, INC., BRANCH DRIVE | | (Month/Day/Year) 01/08/2015 | Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specif below) EVP - Category Management | | | |
| (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 | | | |
| IRVING, TX 75063 | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |

Common

Stock

01/09/2015

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tabl | e I - Non-D | erivative (| Securi | ties Acqu | ired, Disposed of | , or Beneficial | y Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|-------------|--------|-----------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. 4. Securities Transaction(A) or Dispe Code (Instr. 3, 4 a (Instr. 8) Code V Amount | | | of (D) | 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 | 01/08/2015 | | M | 10,150 | (D) | | 202,314 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/08/2015 | | S | 10,150 | D | \$ 25.2 | 192,164 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/08/2015 | | M | 10,149 | A | \$ 7.22 | 202,313 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/08/2015 | | S | 10,149 | D | \$ 25.2 | 192,164 | D | |

M

18,213 A \$ 3.48 210,377

D

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of orDerivative 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) | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|--------|--|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 3.48 | 01/08/2015 | | M | | 10,150 | <u>(1)</u> | 07/01/2009 | Common Stock | 10,150 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 7.22 | 01/08/2015 | | M | | 10,149 | <u>(1)</u> | 07/01/2009 | Common Stock | 10,149 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 3.48 | 01/08/2015 | | M | | 18,213 | <u>(1)</u> | 07/01/2009 | Common Stock | 18,213 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PAPPAS PHILO C/O THE MICHAELS COMPANIES, INC. 8000 BENT BRANCH DRIVE IRVING, TX 75063

EVP - Category Management

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Signatures

Michael J. Veitenheimer, as attorney-in-fact

01/12/2015

**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) This option to purchase common stock vested in equal installments annually over five years beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date of July 2, 2009.

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