

Strickland Sharon T  
 Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Strickland Sharon T		(Month/Day/Year)	SONIC CORP [SONC]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	01/10/2008	
300 JOHNNY BENCH DRIVE			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	
(Street)			(Check all applicable)	
OKLAHOMA			<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner	
CITY, Â OKÂ 73104			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	(give title below) (specify below)	
			Vice President of People	
			5. 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 Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock ESPP	114 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	Â
Common Stock	1,500	I	General Partner in Family Partnership

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	01/10/2011 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/10/2015	Common Stock	13,488	\$ 22.24	D	Â
Non-qualified stock option (right to buy)	01/10/2011 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/10/2015	Common Stock	9,927	\$ 22.24	D	Â
Non-qualified stock option (right to buy)	04/05/2010 <sup>(2)</sup>	04/05/2014	Common Stock	5,009	\$ 22.54	D	Â
Non-qualified stock option (right to buy)	04/06/2009 <sup>(2)</sup>	04/06/2013	Common Stock	4,185	\$ 23.08	D	Â
Incentive stock option (right to buy)	08/17/2008 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/17/2015	Common Stock	9,309	\$ 21.07	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Strickland Sharon T 300 JOHNNY BENCH DRIVE OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73104	Â	Â	Â Vice President of People	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Sharon T.  
Strickland

01/15/2008

\*\*Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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 reported amount reflects the reporting person's aggregate acquisitions exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3(c) based on her beginning vested interest in the Sonic Corp. Employee Stock Purchase Plan as of December 31, 2007.
  - (2) One-third of the total number of options granted on grant date will vest on each of the first three anniversary dates following the date of grant.

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