

ZARLEY JAMES R
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ZARLEY JAMES R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O TEXAS ROADHOUSE,
 INC., 6040 DUTCHMANS LANE,
 SUITE 200**

(Street)

LOUISVILLE, KY 40205

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Texas Roadhouse, Inc. [TXRH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
02/14/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount (A) or (D) Price | | |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/14/2009 | | M | | 7,500 (1) | A | \$ 0 7,500 D |
| Class A Common Stock | | | | | 50,000 | I | |

By James Zarley Living Trust U/A/D 11/05/99 (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 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) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Option to Purchase | \$ 11.2 | | | | | 10/08/2005 | 10/08/2014 | Class A Common Stock | 13,332 |
| Option to Purchase | \$ 11.2 | | | | | 10/08/2006 | 10/08/2014 | Class A Common Stock | 13,334 |
| Option to Purchase | \$ 11.2 | | | | | 10/08/2007 | 10/08/2014 | Class A Common Stock | 13,334 |
| Restricted Stock Units | (3) | 02/14/2009 | | M | 7,500 | (4) | (4) | Class A Common Stock | 7,500 |
| Restricted Stock Units | (3) | | | | | (5) | (5) | Class A Common Stock | 7,500 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ZARLEY JAMES R
C/O TEXAS ROADHOUSE, INC.
6040 DUTCHMANS LANE, SUITE 200
LOUISVILLE, KY 40205

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Signatures

/s/ Sheila C. Brown, by Power of
Attorney

02/17/2009

__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) Represents restricted stock units which are fully vested on the transaction date.

The reporting person is the trustee of the James Zarley Living Trust U/A/D 11/05/99 and has voting control over the securities. The

- (2) reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership within the meaning of Rule 16a-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, of such portion of those shares in which the reporting person has no actual pecuniary interest.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a conditional right to receive one share of the Company's Class A Common Stock.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest on February 14, 2009. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on February 14, 2009, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.
- (5) The restricted stock units vest on February 14, 2010. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on February 14, 2010, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.

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