

Michaels Companies, Inc.  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
SONSTEBY CHARLES M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Michaels Companies, Inc. [MIK]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
8000 BENT BRANCH DRIVE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
04/23/2015

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
CAO and CFO

(Street)  
IRVING, TX 75063

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	04/23/2015		M		50,000 A \$ 6.23	160,794	D
Common Stock	04/23/2015		M		15,000 A \$ 6.55	175,794	D
Common Stock	04/23/2015		S <sup>(1)</sup>		65,000 D \$ 27.23	110,794	D
Common Stock	04/24/2015		M		14,300 A \$ 6.23	125,094	D
Common Stock	04/24/2015		S <sup>(1)</sup>		14,300 D \$ 27.57	110,794	D

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Common Stock	04/27/2015		M	8,500	A	\$ 6.23	119,294	D
Common Stock	04/27/2015		<u>S</u> <sup>(1)</sup>	8,500	D	\$ 27.53	110,794	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)

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)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.23	04/23/2015		M	50,000	<u>(2)</u>	01/04/2019	Common Stock	50,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.55	04/23/2015		M	15,000	<u>(2)</u>	01/04/2019	Common Stock	15,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.23	04/24/2015		M	14,300	<u>(2)</u>	01/04/2019	Common Stock	14,300
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.23	04/27/2015		M	8,500	<u>(2)</u>	01/04/2019	Common Stock	8,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SONSTEBY CHARLES M 8000 BENT BRANCH DRIVE IRVING, TX 75063			CAO and CFO	

## Signatures

Michael J. Veitenheimer, as attorney-in-fact	04/27/2015
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\_\_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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on January 22, 2015.
- (2) This option to purchase common stock vested in equal installments over five years beginning on the first anniversary of January 5, 2011.

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