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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Hilt James A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

(First) (Middle) EXPRESS, INC. [EXPR]

(Check all applicable)

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

03/30/2016

Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify below)

C/O EXPRESS, INC.,, 1 EXPRESS

(State)

DRIVE

(City)

EVP, CMO, and ECommerce

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

(Zip)

Applicable Line)

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

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

below)

COLUMBUS, OH 43230

1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)		

4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s)

D

Code V Amount Common

(Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price

(A)

Stock, par 03/30/2016 value \$0.01

1,697 \$0 A A 26,378 (1)

Common Stock, par 03/30/2016 value \$0.01

11,589 A \$0 37,967 D (2)

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 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 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)	\$ 21.14	03/30/2016		A	11,053	(3)	03/30/2026	Common Stock, par value \$0.01	11,053

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hilt James A C/O EXPRESS, INC., 1 EXPRESS DRIVE COLUMBUS, OH 43230

EVP, CMO, and ECommerce

Signatures

Lacey J. Bundy, Attorney-in-Fact 04/01/2016

**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) Includes restricted stock units that are settled in common stock upon vesting. One-half of the restricted stock units vest on each of the following dates: April 15, 2016 and April 15, 2017.
- (2) These shares represent restricted stock units that are to be settled in common stock upon vesting. One-quarter of the restricted stock units vest on each of the following dates: April 15, 2017, April 15, 2018, April 15, 2019, and April 15, 2020.
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