

Thronson Susan  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Thronson Susan

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
300 JOHNNY BENCH DRIVE  
(Street)

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73104

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SONIC CORP [SONC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/07/2018

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)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/07/2018		D <sup>(1)</sup>	4,225 D \$ 43.5	0	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)**

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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
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	12/07/2018		D <sup>(1)</sup>	2,032	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	2,032
Nonqualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 31.69	12/07/2018		D <sup>(1)</sup>	3,404	<u>(1)</u>	04/09/2022	Common Stock	3,404
Nonqualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 29.37	12/07/2018		D <sup>(1)</sup>	5,136	<u>(1)</u>	01/28/2023	Common Stock	5,136
Nonqualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 25.4	12/07/2018		D <sup>(1)</sup>	6,675	<u>(1)</u>	01/19/2024	Common Stock	6,675
Nonqualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 25.84	12/07/2018		D <sup>(1)</sup>	8,237	<u>(1)</u>	01/31/2025	Common Stock	8,237

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Thronson Susan 300 JOHNNY BENCH DRIVE OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73104	X			

## Signatures

Carolyn C. Cummins for Susan Thronson  
12/07/2018

\*\*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).

- Disposed of as a result of the merger pursuant to the previously announced Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated September 24, 2018, by and among the issuer, Inspire Brands, Inc. and SSK Merger Sub, Inc. (the "Merger Agreement"). At the effective time of the merger as contemplated in the merger agreement, (i) each outstanding share of Company Common Stock, was cancelled and automatically converted into the right to receive \$43.50 in cash and (ii) each Company Restricted Stock Unit and each Company Stock Option Award, vested and accelerated in full and was converted into the right to receive \$43.50 in cash (or in the case of Company Stock Option Awards, the difference between the exercise price and \$43.50).
- (1)

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