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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BYFUGLIN MAX S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHEESECAKE FACTORY INC [CAKE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 26901 MALIBU HILLS ROAD			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/02/2017	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) President (Subsidiary)		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State) (2	Table	I - Non-De	erivative Securities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or		5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Beneficially Owned	(D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial Ownership
		(Month/Day/Teat)	Code V	(A) or Amount (D) Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock					10,200 (1)	D	
Common Stock					41,574	Ι	By Trust

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number 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)	\$ 61.59	03/02/2017		A	6,775	<u>(3)</u>	03/02/2025	Common Stock	6,775

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BYFUGLIN MAX S 26901 MALIBU HILLS ROAD CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301

President (Subsidiary)

Signatures

Max. S. Byfuglin by Debby Zurzolo, his attorney in fact

03/06/2017

**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) Shares of restricted stock subject to forfeiture.
- (2) Shares held by the Byfuglin Family Trust UTA 9/27/2003 of which the reporting person and his spouse are trustees.
- (3) Vests as to 20% of the options on each of 3/2/18, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022.

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