Bloomin' Brands, Inc. Form 4 February 29, 2016

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Smith Jeffrey S Issuer Symbol Bloomin' Brands, Inc. [BLMN] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 2202 NORTH WEST SHORE 02/25/2016 below) BLVD, SUITE 500 **EVP&Pres Outback Steakhouse** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting TAMPA, FL 33607 Person (City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 45,809 (1) D

Stock

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day.	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	02/25/2016		A	18,047	(2)	(3)	Common Stock	18,047
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.5					<u>(4)</u>	04/06/2020	Common Stock	249,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.15	02/25/2016		A	42,070	<u>(5)</u>	02/25/2026	Common Stock	42,070
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.4					<u>(6)</u>	02/26/2023	Common Stock	43,409
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.32					<u>(7)</u>	02/27/2024	Common Stock	29,157
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.36					(8)	02/26/2025	Common Stock	42,280

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
r	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Smith Jeffrey S							
2202 NORTH WEST SHORE BLVD			EVP&Pres Outback Steakhouse				
SUITE 500			EVF&FIES Outdack Steakilouse				
TAMPA, FL 33607							

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/s/ Kelly Lefferts, as Attorney-in-Fact

02/29/2016

**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) Certain of these shares represent restricted stock issued under a Bloomin' Brands, Inc. stock plan and are subject to a risk of forfeiture. Of such shares, 12,500 continue to be subject to forfeiture under that plan as of the date of this filing.
- (2) These restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning on February 25, 2017.
- (3) This field is not applicable.
- (4) This stock option is a replacement stock option and is fully vested.
- (5) This stock option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on February 25, 2017.
- (6) This stock option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on February 26, 2014.
- (7) This stock option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on February 27, 2015.
- (8) This stock option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on February 26, 2016.

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