

DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC
 Form 4/A
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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 *
 LEE EUGENE I JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC [DRI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 5900 LAKE ELLENOR DRIVE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 10/02/2007

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 President, Speciality Rest Grp

ORLANDO, FL 32809
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)
 10/04/2007

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 10/02/2007 | | M | 75,000 A \$ 16.77 | 125,967 ⁽¹⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | 10/02/2007 | | S | 75,000 D \$ 43.2074 | 50,967 ⁽¹⁾ | 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Am Nun Sha |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 16.77 | 10/02/2007 | | M | 75,000 | 10/01/2007 | 12/31/2010 | Common Stock | 14 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| LEE EUGENE I JR 5900 LAKE ELLENOR DRIVE ORLANDO, FL 32809 | | | President, Speciality Rest Grp | |

Signatures

Douglas E. Wentz, Attorney-in-fact for Lee, Jr., Eugene I., 5900 Lake Ellenor Drive, P.O. Box 593330, Orlando, FL 32859-3330, Darden Restaurants, Inc. (DRI)

10/10/2007

__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 reflect recalculated shares as shown in amended form 4 filed 10/9/2007.

Remarks:

This filing is amended to reflect an adjustment to the total number of shares in accordance with a Form 4 amendment filed 10/9/2007.

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