

TOWERS ROBERT  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
TOWERS ROBERT

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ARK RESTAURANTS CORP  
[ARKR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
85 FIFTH AVENUE, 14TH FLOOR  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/19/2008

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President

NEW YORK, NY 10003

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock					18,900	D	
Common Stock					900	I	By spouse <u>(1)</u>

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 29.6					12/21/2005 12/20/2014	Common Stock	8,750
Stock Options	\$ 29.6					12/21/2006 12/20/2014	Common Stock	8,750
Stock Options	\$ 32.15	12/19/2008		A	2,500	12/19/2008 12/18/2016	Common Stock	2,500
Stock Options	\$ 32.15					12/19/2007 12/18/2016	Common Stock	2,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TOWERS ROBERT 85 FIFTH AVENUE 14TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10003	X		President	

## Signatures

/s/ Robert Towers  
12/19/2008

\*\*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 are held by Mr. Towers' wife in her IRA account. Mr. Towers disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.

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