## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
1	(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, 1 DESIGN CENTER PLACE, STE. 850		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/27/2012	(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner  Officer (give (specify below)  V.P. of Human Resources				
(Street) BOSTON MA 02210  (City) (State) (Zip)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				

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. Transac Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Class A Common	02/27/2012		Α		1,009 (1)	Α	<b>\$</b> 0	1,009 (1)	D		

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. Transac Code (Instr. 8	Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Amount of Underlying		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 99.01	02/27/2012		А		24,000		(2)	02/26/2022	Class A Common	24,000	\$ 0	24,000	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. These shares are subject to time-based vesting. 336 shares will vest on 2/27/2013 and 2/27/2014 and 337 shares will vest on 2/27/2015 provided that Reporting Person is an employee of the Company on the applicable vesting date.
- 2. Of this option, 8,000 shares will vest on 2/27/2015, 2/27/2016 and 2/27/2017 provided that Reporting Person is an employee of the Company on the applicable vesting date.

Kathleen H. Wade under
POA for the benefit of Ai-Li 02/28/2012
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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* 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). Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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