## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1(b).

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Rep Tanner Gregg A	orting Person <sup>*</sup>	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last) (First) THE BOSTON BEER COMPAINC., ONE DESIGN CENTER SUITE 850		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/23/2012	(Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner  Officer (give title below) (specify below)				
(Street) BOSTON MA 02210 (City) (State) (Zip)		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	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)	Transaction Code		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities Beneficially	Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		Price	Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		(Instr. 4)		

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		Number of Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		on Amount of Underlying		Derivative Security	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 Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 104.675	05/23/2012		А		2,481		05/23/2012	05/22/2022	Class A Common	2,481	\$0	2,481	D	

**Explanation of Responses:** 

Kathleen H. Wade under
POA for benefit of Gregg A. 05/24/2012
Tanner

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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