BLUE NILE INC Form 4 March 09, 2016

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

Stock

may continue.

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * VAN SCHOONENBERG ROBERT G			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BLUE NILE INC [NILE]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First) (M		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)				(Check all applicable) _X_ Director 10% Owner				
C/O BLUE NILE, INC., 411 FIRST AVENUE S, SUITE 700			03/07/2016					Officer (give title Other (specification) below)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
SEATTLE,		 .						Form filed by Person	More than One Re	eporting	
(City)	(State)	Zip)	Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	ecuri	ties Ac	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deeme Execution I any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. SecuritonAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) o of (D)	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common	03/07/2016			A	103 (1)	A	\$0	7,465 <u>(2)</u>	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)

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1. Titl Deriv Secur (Instr.	ative ity	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. tiorNumber of) Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	s I	ate	Amou Under Secur	Title and ount of derlying urities tr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans
					Code \	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
·F · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
VAN SCHOONENBERG ROBERT G C/O BLUE NILE, INC. 411 FIRST AVENUE S, SUITE 700 SEATTLE, WA 98104	X					

Signatures

/s/ Lauren Neiswender, Power of Attorney 03/09/2016

**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).
 - Represents additional restricted stock units (RSUs) issued as dividend equivalents resulting from an adjustment of outstanding unvested RSUs by a factor of 1.0267 in connection with the special cash dividend declared by the Issuer's board of directors on February 9, 2016.
- (1) The unvested RSUs were issued on February 23, 2015 and June 5, 2015. The adjustment of outstanding unvested RSUs was required pursuant to the terms of the Issuer's equity plans' governing documents. These reported RSUs are subject to the same vesting schedules as the original RSUs to which they relate.
- (2) Includes vested and unvested units of restricted stock.

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