

SMITH LAWRENCE R  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
SMITH LAWRENCE R

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
400 VALLEY DRIVE  
(Street)

BRISBANE, CA 94005-1208

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
bebe stores, inc. [BEBE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
08/27/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)

SVP GENERAL COUNSEL

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Shar
Performance based Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	08/27/2012			A		5,000		08/27/2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	08/27/2022	Common Stock	5,0
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	08/27/2012			A		5,000		08/27/2013 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/27/2022	Common Stock	5,0

### Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SMITH LAWRENCE R 400 VALLEY DRIVE BRISBANE, CA 94005-1208			SVP GENERAL COUNSEL	

### Signatures

LAWRENCE  
SMITH 09/11/2012

                     Date  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person

### 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).
- This performance based restricted stock unit is eligible to vest as follows: (1) 50% of the award eligible to vest upon achievement of
- (1) certain performance criteria based on Earnings Per Share ("EPS") in FY13 and (2) 50% of the award eligible to vest upon achievement of certain performance criteria based on EPS in FY14.
  - (2) RSUs convert one-to-one to shares of common stock at the rate of 50% on the first anniversary from date of grant and 50% on the second anniversary from the date of grant

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