Michaels Companies, Inc.

Form 4

January 22, 2015

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PAPPAS PHILO			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Michaels Companies, Inc. [MIK]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
C/O THE MICHAELS COMPANIES, INC., 8000 BENT BRANCH DRIVE		00 BENT	(Month/Day/Year) 01/20/2015	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, Category Management			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
IRVING, TX 75063			Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reportin Form filed by More than On Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securit	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly 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)	on(A) or Dis	ecurities Acquired or Disposed of (D) r. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	01/20/2015		M	28,910	A	\$ 3.48	221,074	D	
Common Stock	01/20/2015		S <u>(1)</u>	28,910	D	\$ 22.4	192,164	D	
Common Stock	01/21/2015		M	21,489	A	\$ 3.48	213,653	D	
Common Stock	01/21/2015		S(1)	21,489	D	\$ 22.2	192,164	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)

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 orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.48	01/20/2015		M	28,910	(2)	07/01/2017	Common Stock	28,910
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.48	01/21/2015		M	21,489	(2)	07/01/2017	Common Stock	21,489

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PAPPAS PHILO C/O THE MICHAELS COMPANIES, INC. 8000 BENT BRANCH DRIVE IRVING, TX 75063

EVP, Category Management

Signatures

Michael J. Veitenheimer, as attorney-in-fact 01/22/2015

**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)

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The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on December 9, 2014.

(2) This option to purchase common stock vested in equal installments annually over five years beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date of July 2, 2009.

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