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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement MICHAELS STORES INC [N/A] À Crombie Nicholas E (Month/Day/Year) 05/23/2007 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 8000 BENT BRANCH DRIVE (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person IRVING, TXÂ 75063 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One **EVP - Store Operations** Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock 5,333 (1) Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	•		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	02/15/2015	Common Stock	37,849	\$ 15	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	02/15/2015	Common Stock	37,849	\$ 22.5	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	02/15/2015	Common Stock	9,462	\$ 30	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	02/15/2015	Common Stock	9,462	\$ 37.5	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	02/15/2015	Common Stock	9,462	\$ 45	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	02/15/2015	Common Stock	9,462	\$ 52.5	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
rr a g a m a m a m a m a m a m a m a m a m	Director 10% Owner		Officer	Other		
Crombie Nicholas E 8000 BENT BRANCH DRIVE IRVING Â TXÂ 75063	Â	Â	EVP - Store Operations	Â		

Signatures

/s/ Greg A. Burmeister, Attorney-in-Fact for Nicholas E. Crombie, Executive Vice President - Store Operations

05/25/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) The reported amount consists entirely of shares of Michaels Stores, Inc. common stock acquired by the reporting person under a company co-investment program (exempt) on February 16, 2007.
- Grant of stock option to the reporting person on February 16, 2007 under the Michaels Stores, Inc. 2006 Equity Incentive Plan (exempt).
- (2) The stock option vests and becomes exercisable with respect to 20% of the shares of common stock subject to the option on each of the first, second, third, fourth and fifth anniversaries of the date of grant.

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