BOSTON BEER CO INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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SECURITIES Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, may continue.

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Murphy Matthew Donal

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify

01/18/2017

X_ Officer (give title below)

Chief Accounting Officer

INC., ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850

(Street)

(State)

THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY,

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 Form filed by More than One Reporting

BOSTON, MA 02210

(City)

Common

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 1. Title of 3. 4. Securities Acquired Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (A)

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of 6. Securities Beneficially Owned **Following**

7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Form: Direct Beneficial (D) or Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Reported (Instr. 4)

Transaction(s)

101.91

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Class A $A^{(1)}$ 01/18/2017 171 A

Price

 $1,355 \stackrel{(2)}{=}$ 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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| (I | nstr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) Derivativ | | ; | | Secur | ities | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
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| | | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Murphy Matthew Donal THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC. ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850 BOSTON, MA 02210

Chief Accounting Officer

Signatures

Matthew D. 01/19/2017 Murphy

**Signature of Date
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).

The shares were purchased pursuant to the Issuer's Employee Equity Incentive Plan on January 18, 2017, with an effective grant date of January 1, 2017. Under this plan, tenured employees may purchase restricted shares at a discounted price. These restricted shares vest in

- (1) five equal installments over a five year period, provided that the Reporting Person remains employed by the Issuer as of the applicable vesting date. The first installment vests one year from grant date and the final installment vests five years from grant date. These shares have no expiration date.
- (2) The shares reported include 439 shares of restricted stock subject to vesting conditions.

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