

SPARTAN STORES INC  
 Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Â Proctor Hawthorne L. (Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O 850 - 76TH STREET SW (Street)  GRAND RAPIDS, Â MI Â 49518 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 11/19/2013	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SPARTAN STORES INC [SPTN]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	13,089	D	Â

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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

				Shares		(1) (Instr. 5)	
Share Units (1)	Â (1)	Â (1)	Common Stock	7,449	\$ (1)	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Proctor Hawthorne L. C/O 850 - 76TH STREET SW GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49518	Â X	Â	Â	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Daniel C. Persinger, By Power of Attorney  
 11/26/2013  
 \*\*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) Consists of share units granted under the Nash-Finch Company Director Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan"). The Plan was assumed by Spartan Stores, Inc. pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger dated July 21, 2013 between Spartan Stores, Inc., Nash-Finch Company, and SS Delaware, Inc. Share units will be settled in shares of Spartan Stores, Inc. common stock on a one-for-one basis within 60 days after the reporting person ceases to be a member of the board of directors.

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