

BOSTON BEER CO INC

Form 4

October 25, 2016

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**POTTER JONATHAN N.**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY,  
INC., 1 DESIGN CENTER PL.,  
STE. 850**

(Street)

**BOSTON, MA 02210**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

**BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]**

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

**10/25/2016**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chief Marketing Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_ 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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A Common	10/25/2016		A <sup>(1)</sup>	V Amount 3,631 (1)	(A) or (D) Price \$ 0 3,631 <sup>(1)</sup>	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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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 Derivative 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Class A Common Stock Option	\$ 165.2	10/25/2016		A		35,378		10/25/2019 <sup>(2)</sup>	10/25/2026	Class A Common Stock	35,378

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
POTTER JONATHAN N. THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC. 1 DESIGN CENTER PL., STE. 850 BOSTON, MA 02210	Chief Marketing Officer

## Signatures

Michael G. Andrews under POA for the benefit of Jonathan N. Potter 10/25/2016

\_\_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) The shares reported comprise of 3,631 shares of restricted stock subject to vesting conditions, all of which were granted as a restricted stock award on the transaction date pursuant to the Issuer's Employee Equity Incentive Plan. The shares will vest in three installments, on October 25 in the years 2017 through 2019, provided that the Reporting Person remains employed by the Issuer on the applicable vesting dates.
- (2) The option will vest in five installments, on October 25 in the years 2019 through 2023, provided that the Reporting Person remains employed by the Issuer on the applicable vesting date

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