

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

FORM 4

Statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities

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SUBJECT COMPANY

DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC

CIK: **940944** | IRS No.: **593305930** | State of Incorporation: **FL** | Fiscal Year End: **0526**
Type: **4** | Act: **34** | File No.: **001-13666** | Film No.: **99708944**
SIC: **5812** Eating places

Mailing Address
5900 LAKE ELLENOR DRIVE
ORLANDO FL 32809

Business Address
5900 LAKE ELLENOR DR
ORLANDO FL 32809
4072454000

REPORTING OWNER

RUIZ HECTOR

CIK: **1090007**
Type: **4**

Mailing Address
8218 CHALK KNOLL DR
AUSTIN TX 78735

Business Address
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AUSTIN TX 78735
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Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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|--|---------|------------|---|-----------------------------|--|---|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | | 6. Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer (Check all Applicable) | |
| RUIZ HECTOR | | | DARDEN RESTAURANTS, INC. | | --- (give title below) --- (Specify below) | |
| | | | of Reporting Person Year | | X Director 10% Owner | |
| (Last) | (First) | (MI) | 3. IRS or Soc. Sec. No. of Reporting Person (Voluntary) | 4. Statement for Month/Year | Officer | Other |
| 5900 LAKE ELLENOR DRIVE | | | | August 1999 | --- (give title below) --- (Specify below) | |
| P. O. BOX 593330 | | | | | | |
| (Street) | | | | | 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year) | 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) |
| ORLANDO | FL | 32859-3330 | | | | X Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | | | --- 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 (Mon/Day/Yr) | 3. Trans. Code | | 4. Security Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 & 5) | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr. 3 & 4) | 6. Ownership (D) or (I) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|-------------|---|---------|---|-------------------------|---|
| | | Code | V | Amount | (A) (D) | | | |
| <S> Common Stock | <C> 08/25/1999 | <C> J | <C> (01) | <C> | 263 | <C> A \$18.0000 | <C> 3263 | <C> D |
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class securities owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1474 (7-96)
*If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b) (v).

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TABLE II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible security)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Trans- action Date (Mon/Day/Year) | 4. Tran- saction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | | 6. Date | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 & 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities | 10. Form of Ownership (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|-----|---------|-----------|---|--|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| | | | | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 & 5) | | Date | Exp. Date | | | | | |
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Explanation of Responses:

(01) The Reporting Person elected to receive a portion of the quarterly Director's compensation in stock issuable under the Darden Restaurants, Inc. Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors. Shares are valued and issued at the end of each quarter.

**Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

/s/CLIFFORD L. WHITEHILL

09/09/1999

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Note: File three copies of this form, one of which must be manually signed. If space provided is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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