

WILLIAMS SONOMA INC  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Brett James W. Jr.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
WILLIAMS SONOMA INC [WSM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
3250 VAN NESS AVE.  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
04/16/2016

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
PRESIDENT WEST ELM BRAND

SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94109

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V Amount (A) or (D) Price   |   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 04/16/2016                           |  | M                              | 20,043 A \$ 0   | 41,294  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 04/16/2016                           |  | F                              | 11,189 (1) D \$ 60.91   | 30,105  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 1,993   | I  | By Managed Account (2)                                |

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)

| 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (3)  | 04/16/2016                           |  | M                              | 20,043  | (4) (5)  | Common Stock  | 20,043                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                      | Relationships |           |                          |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                  | Other |
| Brett James W. Jr.<br>3250 VAN NESS AVE.<br>SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94109 |               |           | PRESIDENT WEST ELM BRAND |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Phil Louridas, Attorney-in-Fact for James W. Brett  
Date: 04/19/2016

\*\*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) Represents the number of shares withheld upon vesting of restricted stock units to cover tax withholding obligations.
- (2) Represents the number of shares held by the reporting person in the Williams-Sonoma, Inc. Stock Fund under the Williams-Sonoma, Inc. 401(k) Plan, based on a statement dated April 18, 2016.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of WSM common stock.
- (4) The restricted stock units vested in two equal installments on April 16, 2014 and April 16, 2016. Vesting of these units was subject to a performance metric.
- (5) The restricted stock units are cancelled upon vesting and delivery of shares of WSM common stock.

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