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Shares

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GABELLI MARIO J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GDL FUND [GDL.B]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
C/O GAMCO INVESTORS, INC, ONE CORPORATE CENTER			(Month/Day/Year) 03/30/2012	_X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title _X Other (specify below) Control Person of Adviser		
(Street) RYE, NY 10580			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zin)				

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-D	Perivative Securities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly 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) owr Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Series B Cumulative Puttable and Callable Preferred Shares	03/30/2012		Code V		(Instr. 3 and 4) 116,100	I	GGCP, Inc. (1)
Series B Cumulative Puttable and Callable Preferred					85,100	I	GAMCO Investors, Inc. (2)

Series B Cumulative Puttable and Callable Preferred

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Shares

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Secur (Instr.	int of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
GABELLI MARIO J C/O GAMCO INVESTORS, INC ONE CORPORATE CENTER RYE, NY 10580	X			Control Person of Adviser		
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Signatures

Douglas R. Jamieson as Attorney-in-Fact for Mario J.

Gabelli

04/03/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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 reported reflect the total shares owned by GGCP, Inc. (GGCP). Mario J. Gabelli is the Chief Executive Officer, a director, and the controlling shareholder of GGCP. Mr. Gabelli has less than a 100% interest in GGCP and disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by it which are in excess of his indirect pecuniary interest.
 - The shares reported reflect the total shares owned by GAMCO Investors, Inc. (GAMCO). Mario J. Gabelli is the Chairman, Chief
- (2) Executive Officer, and controlling shareholder of GAMCO. Mr. Gabelli has less than a 100% interest in GAMCO and disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by it which are in excess of his indirect pecuniary interest.

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