

Kinsell S. Kirk
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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 *
 Kinsell S. Kirk

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 SONIC CORP [SONC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

300 JOHNNY BENCH DRIVE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 12/07/2018

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

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73104

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |

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 | 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 | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
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| Derivative Security | | | (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
|---|----------|------------|---|------|-----|-----|-------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 12/07/2018 | | D | (1) | | 2,032 | (1) | (1) | Common Stock | 2,032 |
| Nonqualified Stock Options (right to buy) | \$ 25.84 | 12/07/2018 | | D | (1) | | 8,237 | (1) | 01/31/2025 | Common Stock | 8,237 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Kinsell S. Kirk 300 JOHNNY BENCH DRIVE OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73104 | | | X | |

Signatures

Carolyn C. Cummins for S. Kirk
Kinsell

12/07/2018

__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) Disposed of as a result of the merger pursuant to the previously announced Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated September 24, 2018, by and among the issuer, Inspire Brands, Inc. and SSK Merger Sub, Inc. (the "Merger Agreement"). At the effective time of the merger as contemplated in the merger agreement, (i) each outstanding share of Company Common Stock, was cancelled and automatically converted into the right to receive \$43.50 in cash and (ii) each Company Restricted Stock Unit and each Company Stock Option Award, vested and accelerated in full and was converted into the right to receive \$43.50 in cash (or in the case of Company Stock Option Awards, the difference between the exercise price and \$43.50).

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