BERMAN SHELDON M

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BERMAN SHELDON M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

BIG LOTS INC [BIG]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner _X_ Other (specify Officer (give title

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below) below) Former Director

300 PHILLIPI ROAD

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

COLUMBUS, OH 43228

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Owned

(Instr. 4)

(I)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

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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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and 8. Price of 9 Ni Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionNumber **Expiration Date** Amount of Derivative Deriv Security or Exercise Code of(Month/Day/Year) Underlying Security Secu any

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				Secur (Instr	ities . 3 and 4)	(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

BERMAN SHELDON M 300 PHILLIPI ROAD COLUMBUS, OH 43228

Former Director

Signatures

Chadwick P. Reynolds, attorney in fact for Sheldon M. Berman

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**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).
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