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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Ramsey James

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

Texas Roadhouse, Inc. [TXRH]

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(City)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

01/05/2012

X_ Director Officer (give title

below)

10% Owner Other (specify

Indirect

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

C/O TEXAS ROADHOUSE. INC., 6040 DUTCHMANS LANE, **SUITE 200**

(Street)

(State)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

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

LOUISVILLE, KY 40205

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

or Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common Stock

51,084 D

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)

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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. 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Purchase	\$ 11.2					10/08/2007	10/08/2014	Common Stock	13,334
Restricted Stock Units	(1)					(2)	(2)	Common Stock	7,500
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	01/05/2012		A(3)	8,500	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	8,500
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	01/05/2012		A(3)	8,500	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	8,500
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	01/05/2012		A(3)	8,500	<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	8,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
coporting of the randomization	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Ramsey James C/O TEXAS ROADHOUSE, INC. 6040 DUTCHMANS LANE, SUITE 200 LOUISVILLE, KY 40205	X					

Signatures

/s/ Celia Catlett, by Power of
Attorney 01/09/2012

**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) Each restricted stock unit represents a conditional right to receive one share of the Company's Common Stock.

(2)

Reporting Owners 2

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The restricted stock units vest on February 18, 2012. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on February 18, 2012, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.

- (3) Grant of restricted stock units pursuant to the Company's 2004 Equity Incentive Plan.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest on February 18, 2013. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on February 18, 2013, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.
- The restricted stock units vest on February 18, 2014. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on February 18, 2014, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.
- (6) The restricted stock units vest on February 18, 2015. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on February 18, 2015, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.

Remarks:

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 -- Power of Attorney of James Ramsey

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