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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Grinnell David L. Issuer Symbol **BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]** (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title C/O THE BOSTON BEER 12/13/2017 below) COMPANY, INC., ONE DESIGN Vice President of Brewing **CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850** (Street) 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 BOSTON, MA 02210 (City)

(City)	(State)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqui	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi n(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	(A) or	d of (D)	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)
Class A Common	12/13/2017		M(1)	1,000	A	\$ 95.09	3,898 (2)	D	
Class A Common	12/13/2017		S <u>(1)</u>	1,000	D	\$ 186.75	2,898 (2)	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)

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 Derivati Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Yea		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 95.09	12/13/2017		M	1,00	0 01/01/2016 <u>(3)</u>	12/31/2020	Class A Common	30,000 (4)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

Grinnell David L. C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC. ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850 BOSTON, MA 02210

Vice President of Brewing

Signatures

Michael G. Andrews under POA for the benefit of David L.

Grinnell

12/13/2017

**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) The transactions reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on November 13, 2017.
- (2) The shares reported include 439 shares of restricted stock subject to vesting conditions.
- (3) The option vests in five annual installments: the first on January 1, 2016, and the final vesting on January 1, 2020, provided that the Reporting Person remains employed by the Issuer on the applicable vesting dates.
- (4) These securities include unvested stock options.

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