

NOODLES & Co  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Rand James Thomas

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
520 ZANG STREET, SUITE D  
(Street)

BROOMFIELD, CO 80021

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
NOODLES & Co [NDLS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
05/05/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A Common Stock				(A) or (D)	7,500 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	Transferred to Trust <sup>(1)</sup>
Class A Common Stock	05/05/2016		A	4,587 <sup>(2)</sup>	A \$ 0 13,592	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. Transaction 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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu...
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Rand James Thomas 520 ZANG STREET, SUITE D BROOMFIELD, CO 80021	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Paul Strasen, attorney in fact                                      05/09/2016  
 \*\*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) Shares James Rand transferred to the James T. Rand Asset Protection Trust for the Benefit of Debbie Rand on December 27, 2013.

Grant of Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") to James Rand, a member of Noodles & Company's (the "Company") board of directors. The RSUs constitute half of Mr. Rand's annual compensation for serving as a director, and the number of RSUs was determined based on the closing price of the Company's Class A common stock on the date of grant. Mr. Rand entered into a deferral election agreement with the Company, and each RSU represents the right to receive one share of the Company's Class A common stock upon the earlier of Mr. Rand's termination of his services as a director on the Company's board or a change in control of the Company.

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