MARTIN JOHN CHARLES

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b). (Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MARTIN JOHN CHARLES			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BIG LOTS INC [BIG]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Chech an approach)			
300 PHILLIPI ROAD			(Month/Day/Year) 02/25/2010	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive Vice President			
(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			

Person

COLUMBUS, OH 43228

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly 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. Securit on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed 4 and 3	of (D)	5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect
~			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/25/2010		M	20,000	A	\$ 14.35	100,515	D	
Common Stock	02/25/2010		S <u>(1)</u>	20,000	D	\$ 32.01 (2)	80,515	D	
Common Stock	02/26/2010		M	9,375	A	\$ 21.06	89,890	D	
Common Stock	02/26/2010		S(1)	9,375	D	\$ 33.35 (3)	80,515	D	
							451	I	

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{Common} \\ \text{Stock} \end{array} \hspace{2cm} \text{By } 401(k) \\ \text{Plan} \ \underline{^{(4)}} \\ \end{array}$

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 orDerivative 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	Amoun or Numbe of Shar
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 14.35	02/25/2010		M		20,000	11/15/2005(5)	12/01/2013	Common Stock	20,00
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 21.06	02/26/2010		M		9,375	<u>(6)</u>	03/07/2015	Common Stock	9,375

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MARTIN JOHN CHARLES 300 PHILLIPI ROAD COLUMBUS, OH 43228

Executive Vice President

Signatures

Joseph Y. Heuer, attorney in fact for John Charles
Martin

02/26/2010

**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 sales reported in this Form 4 were made pursuant to a plan intended to comply with Rule 10b5-1.

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- The value represents the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on the corresponding line. The actual sales prices for the transactions reported on the corresponding line ranged from \$32.00 to \$32.04. The reporting person undertakes to provide (upon request by the SEC, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer) full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- The value represents the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on the corresponding line. The actual sales prices for the transactions reported on the corresponding line ranged from \$33.27 to \$33.39. The reporting person undertakes to provide (upon request by the SEC, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer) full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (4) Common stock held under the Big Lots Savings Plan ("401(k) Plan"). This information is based on a 401(k) Plan report dated February 25, 2010.
- (5) The date upon which the Stock Purchase Option became fully exercisable.
- (6) The Stock Purchase Option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on March 7, 2009.

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