

WILLIAMS SONOMA INC  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
Whalen Julie

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
3250 VAN NESS AVE.  
(Street)

SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94109

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
WILLIAMS SONOMA INC [WSM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
04/10/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Acting Chief Financial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)<br>Code V Amount (D) Price                             |   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 04/10/2012                           |  | M                              | 1,506 A \$ 0  | 1,506   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 04/10/2012                           |  | F                              | 553 <sup>(1)</sup> D \$ 36.95                                     | 953   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 04/10/2012                           |  | J                              | 35 A \$ 35.99   | 884 <sup>(2)</sup>  | I  | By Managed Account                |

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 or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (3)  | 04/10/2012                           |  | M                              | 1,506   | (4) (5)  | Common Stock  | 1,506   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                | Relationships |           |                                |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                        | Other |
| Whalen Julie<br>3250 VAN NESS AVE.<br>SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94109 |               |           | Acting Chief Financial Officer |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Laurel Pies, Attorney-in-Fact for Julie Whalen  
Date: 04/12/2012

\*\*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) Represents the number of shares withheld upon vesting of restricted stock units to cover tax withholding obligations.
- (2) The reporting person owns \$31,816.73 in the Williams-Sonoma, Inc. stock fund under the Williams-Sonoma, Inc. 401(k) Plan, based on a statement dated April 10, 2012. The number of shares indirectly owned was calculated by dividing the amount owned in the Williams-Sonoma, Inc. stock fund by \$35.99, the closing price of WSM common stock on April 10, 2012.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of WSM common stock.
- (4) The restricted stock units were fully vested on April 10, 2012.
- (5) The restricted stock units were cancelled upon vesting and delivery of shares of WSM common stock.

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