AVERA STEPHEN R

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * AVERA STEPHEN R			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FLOWERS FOODS INC [FLO]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
1919 FLOWERS CIRCLE		E.	11/27/2012	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, Secretary & Gen Counsel			
	(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			
THOMASVILLE, GA 31757				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)				(D)	5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	11/21/2012		G	V	4,500	D	\$ 22.86	192,224	D	
Common Stock	11/23/2012		G	V	500	D	\$ 22.53	191,724	D	
Common Stock	11/27/2012		M		39,262	A	\$ 12.45	230,986	D	
Common Stock	11/27/2012		M		49,162	A	\$ 13.05	280,148	D	
Common Stock	11/28/2012		S		68,604	D	\$ 23.2724	211,544	D	

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Common Stock	931	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock	450	I	By Spouse (2)

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of ctionDerivative Securities 8) 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 (Right to Buy) (3)	\$ 12.45	11/27/2012		M		39,262	01/03/2009	01/03/2013	Common Stock	39,262
Option (Right to Buy) (3)	\$ 13.05	11/27/2012		M		49,162	02/05/2010	02/05/2014	Common Stock	49,162
Option (Right to Buy) (3)	\$ 16.5						02/04/2011	02/04/2015	Common Stock	52,575
Option (Right to Buy) (3)	\$ 15.89						02/09/2012	02/09/2016	Common Stock	58,725
Option (Right to Buy) (3)	\$ 16.67						02/09/2013	02/09/2017	Common Stock	64,575
Option (Right to Buy) (3)	\$ 16.31						02/10/2014	02/10/2018	Common Stock	76,800
Restricted Stock Award (3)	\$ 0 (4)						<u>(5)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	11,625

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

AVERA STEPHEN R 1919 FLOWERS CIRCLE THOMASVILLE, GA 31757

EVP, Secretary & Gen Counsel

Signatures

Stephen R. 11/29/2012 Avera

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Total includes exempt acquisitions of shares allocated to reporting person in Issuer's 401(k) Plan, as of 12/31/2011.
- (2) By Spouse as custodian for reporting person's minor child.
- (3) Granted pursuant to the Flowers Foods, Inc. 2001 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan.
- (4) In accordance with the terms of the 2011 Restricted Stock Award Agreement, the performance shares awarded do not have a conversion or exercise price.
- (5) The company anticipates that in accordance with the terms of the 2011 Restricted Stock Award Agreement the vesting date of the performance shares awarded shall be the date of the filing of the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K with the SEC in 2013.
- (6) Grant expires on the vesting date if performance measures are not met.

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