FLOWERS FOODS INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Table I. Non Desirative Securities Assuring Disposed of an Deneficially O

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(City)

(State)

(Zip)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Addr DEESE GEOR	*	ng Person *	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	(====== an approximate)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Director 10% Owner			
318 BEACHSIDE DRIVE			12/13/2016	Officer (give titleX Other (specify below) Non-Executive Chairman			
	(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			
PANAMA CITY, FL 32413				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	Table	e I - Noi	n-D	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	y 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 on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/13/2016		G	V	25,000	D	\$ 19.3	2,801,125	D	
Common Stock	12/13/2016		G	V	25,000	A	\$ 19.3	175,000	I	By Family LLC (1)
Common Stock								24,049.5	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock								50,301	I	By Spouse (3)

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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	3	te	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Stock (4)	<u>(5)</u>					05/25/2017	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	6,934	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
DEESE GEORGE E							
318 BEACHSIDE DRIVE	X			Non-Executive Chairman			
PANAMA CITY, FL 32413							

Signatures

/s/ Stephen R. Avera,
Agent

**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 held by family LLC, in which reporting person and his spouse are the only members.
- (2) Total includes exempt acquisitions of shares allocated to reporting person under Issuer's 401(k) Plan, based on a plan statement dated as of 12/31/2015.
- (3) Beneficial ownership is disclaimed.
- (4) Granted under the Flowers Foods, Inc. 2014 Omnibus Equity and Incentive Compensation Plan.

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- (5) In accordance with the terms of the Deferred Shares Agreement for Directors, the deferred shares awarded do not have a conversion or exercise price.
- (6) No expiration date.

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