

Texas Roadhouse, Inc.  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Taylor Wayne Kent

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O TEXAS ROADHOUSE,  
INC., 6040 DUTCHMANS LANE

(Street)

LOUISVILLE, KY 40205

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Texas Roadhouse, Inc. [TXRH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/19/2016

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)  
Chairman, CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock                    | 02/19/2016                           |  | A <sup>(1)</sup>               | 106,435   | A \$ 0  | 4,427,691  | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 02/19/2016                           |  | F                              | 50,539  | D \$ 34.52  | 4,377,152  | D   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   | 1,100,000  | I   |

By Taylor Family Partners, Ltd. <sup>(2)</sup>

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) |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares |
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Code   | V   | (A)  | (D)                        |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (3)  |                                      |  |                                |   | (4)  | (4)   | Common Stock                               | 15,000                     |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (3)  |                                      |  |                                |   | (5)  | (5)   | Common Stock                               | 15,000                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                  |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer          | Other |
| Taylor Wayne Kent<br>C/O TEXAS ROADHOUSE, INC.<br>6040 DUTCHMANS LANE<br>LOUISVILLE, KY 40205 | X             |           | Chairman,<br>CEO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Celia Catlett, by Power of Attorney  
02/23/2016

\*\*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).

On February 19, 2016, the Company's compensation committee certified the achievement of specified financial performance goals that

(1) determined the number of previously granted performance restricted stock units, which vested on January 8, 2016, and became reportable on February 19, 2016.

(2)

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Certain members of the reporting party's Immediate Family, as defined in Rule 16a-1(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, have a pecuniary interest in Taylor Family Partners, Ltd., a Kentucky limited partnership. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership, within the meaning of Rule 16a-1, of such portion of those shares in which the reporting person has no actual pecuniary interest.

- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a conditional right to receive one share of the Company's Common Stock.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest on January 8, 2017. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on or about January 8, 2017, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.
- (5) The restricted stock units vest on January 8, 2018. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on January 8, 2018, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.

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