**BLUE NILE INC** Form 4 January 27, 2012

# FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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(Print or Type Responses)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BLUE NILE INC [NILE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
01/25/2012	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
	Former CEO		
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		
	Symbol BLUE NILE INC [NILE] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/25/2012 4. If Amendment, Date Original		

(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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit coor Dispos (Instr. 3, 4)	ed of	` ′	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	01/25/2012		M	15,500	A	\$ 31.26	63,989	D		
Common Stock	01/25/2012		S <u>(1)</u>	15,500	D	\$ 39.1935 (2)	48,489	D		
Common Stock	01/26/2012		M	3,000	A	\$ 31.26	51,489	D		
Common Stock	01/26/2012		S <u>(1)</u>	3,000	D	\$ 40.5	48,489	D		
Common Stock							1,160	I	By Son	

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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. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day,	Pate	7. Title and L Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.26	01/25/2012		M	15,500	(3)	05/31/2016(4)	Common Stock	15,500
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.26	01/26/2012		M	3,000	(3)	05/31/2016(4)	Common Stock	3,000

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
IRVINE DIANE M						
C/O BLUE NILE, INC.			Former CEO			
411 FIRST AVENUE S, STE 700			ronner CEO			
SEATTLE, WA 98104						

## **Signatures**

/s/ Lauren Neiswender, Power of 01/27/2012 Attorney

> \*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

2 Reporting Owners

Relationships

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### **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) Any short-swing profits will be paid to the company as required by Rule 16(b) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934.
- (2) Represents the weighted average sale price. The highest price at which shares were sold was \$40.00 and lowest price at which shares were sold was \$39.00.
- (3) 25% of the option shares vested on June 1, 2007 and one-forty-eighth of the option shares vested in equal monthly installments over the following thirty-six months. As of November 11, 2011, all unvested options were canceled.
- (4) Ms. Irvine resigned on November 11, 2011, her vested and exercisable options will expire on May 11, 2012.
- (5) Not applicable.

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