

DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC

Form 5

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FORM 5**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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1(b).Form 3 Holdings
Reported

Form 4

Transactions

Reported

**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL
OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
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response... 1.01. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SWEATT BLAINE III

(Last) (First) (Middle)

5900 LAKE ELLENOR
DRIVE, PO BOX 593330

(Street)

ORLANDO, FL 32859-3330

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol
DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC
[DRI]3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended
(Month/Day/Year)
05/27/20074. 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)
Retired as Dir. & EVP 5/27/076. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting
(check applicable line)☒ 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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	11/07/2006	Â	I4	Amount 2,162.78 (1)	(A) or (D) D \$ 40.82	0	I Savings Plan
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	323,597	D Â

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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)	9. of D S B O E I F (I
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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ORLANDO, FL 32859-3330

Retired as Dir. & EVP 5/27/07

Signatures

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07/03/2007

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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The number of shares reported is based on a plan statement derived from an undivided interest in a fund consisting of both Darden
(1) common stock and a small cash position that fluctuates from time to time. The number of shares reported may change based on the size of
the cash position at the time of reporting.

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