Schroeder Paul Alan Form 4 March 08, 2012

#### FORM 4

# 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).

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 * Schroeder Paul Alan			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol BIG LOTS INC [BIG]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Sheen an approach)			
300 PHILLIPI ROAD			(Month/Day/Year) 03/06/2012	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Vice President			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
COLUMBUS, OH 43228				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

## (City) (State) (Zip) Table I Non Derivative Securities Acquired Disposed of or Reposicially Owned

(City)	(State)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	<b>Derivative</b>	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	ransaction Date 2A. Deemed		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/06/2012		A	2,000	A	\$ 0	6,000	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2012		M	2,000	A	\$ 11.55	8,000	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2012		M	2,000	A	\$ 11.73	10,000	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2012		S	4,000	D	\$ 44.55 (1)	6,000	D	

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amo Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or Nu of S
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 43.85	03/06/2012		A	15,000		<u>(2)</u>	03/06/2019	Common Stock	15
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 11.55	03/07/2012		M		2,000	04/04/2010(3)	04/04/2015	Common Stock	2,
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 11.73	03/07/2012		M		2,000	09/12/2010(3)	09/12/2015	Common Stock	2,

# **Reporting Owners**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Schroeder Paul Alan 300 PHILLIPI ROAD COLUMBUS, OH 43228

Vice President

#### **Signatures**

Joseph Y. Heuer, Attorney-in-fact for Paul A. Schroeder

03/08/2012

\*\*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).
- The value represents the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on the corresponding line. The actual sales prices for the transactions reported on the corresponding line ranged from \$44.52 to \$44.57. The reporting person undertakes to provide (upon request by the SEC, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer) full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

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- (2) The Stock Purchase Option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on March 6, 2013.
- (3) The date upon which this Stock Purchase Option became fully exercisable.

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