### DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC

Form 4 June 07, 2001

# U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

FORM 4

#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

	Section 30(1) C	or the investment	. Comp	any ACC OI 1940				
[_]	Check box if no longer s may continue. See Instruc		on 16.	Form 4 or Form 5 obligations				
1.	Name and Address of Repor	rting Person*						
Sweatt, III		Blaine						
(Last)		(First)	(First) (Middle)					
5900	LAKE ELLENOR DRIVE, P.O.							
		(Street)						
ORLA	NDO	FL		32859-3330				
(	 City)	(State)		(Zip)				
DARD	EN RESTAURANTS, INC. (DRI							
2.	Issuer Name and Ticker or	Trading Symbol						
3.	IRS Identification Number	of Reporting Pe	erson,	if an Entity (Voluntary)				
5/20	01							
4.	Statement for Month/Year							
5.	5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)							
6.	Relationship of Reporting (Check all applicable)	g Person to Issue	er					
	<pre>[_] Director [X] Officer (give title</pre>	below)	[_]	10% Owner Other (specify below)				
	EVP DARDEN; PRESIDENT NEW BUSINESS							

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7. Indiv	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line)										
[_]	[X] Form filed by one Reporting Person [_] Form filed by more than one Reporting Person										
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Table I Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned											
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		2.			4. Securities Acq Disposed of (D (Instr. 3, 4 a	) nd 5)					
1. Title of S	ecurity	Transaction	(Instr.	8)		(A)					
(Instr. 3)		(mm/dd/yy)	Code	V		(D)					
Common Sto	ck	05/22/01	М		2,212	A	\$12.2823				
Common Sto		05/22/01	M		7,449	А	\$10.677				
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\* If the Form is filed by more than one Reporting Person, see Instruction  $4\,(b)\,(v)$  .

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Print or Type Response)

(Over)

29,796 D

2,212

7,449

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\$29.29

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Common Stock

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Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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	of Deriv- ative Secur-	3. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	action Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
1. Title of						(Month/Da			Amount or
Derivative Security				4 and		Date Exer-	Expira- tion	Title	Number of
(Instr. 3)				(A)	(D)				
Stock Option	\$ 9.8569	05/22/01	М		29,796	06/24/92	07/24/01	Common Stock	29,796
Stock Option	\$10.677	05/22/01	M		7,449	09/16/92	10/16/01	Common Stock	7,449
Stock Option	\$12.2823	05/22/01	М		2,212	12/09/94	01/09/02	Common Stock	2,212
Explanation of Resp	onses:			=====					
**Signature o	f Reporti	ng Person				Date	e 		

BY: PAULA SHIVES, Attorney-in-fact

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\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space provided is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.