## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

<b>STATEMENT</b>	<b>OF CHANGES</b>	IN BENEFICIAL	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Shindel Sara</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LIFETIME BRANDS, INC [ LCUT ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  X Officer (give title Other (specify					
(Last) (First) (Middle) LIFETIME BRANDS INC. 1000 STEWART AVENUE			05/	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/01/2012  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Gene	v) be		below) d Secretar	y			
(Street) GARDE	N CITY N		11530 (Zip)		- 4. IT	Ame	nament,	Date	or Original	-ilea	(Month/D	ay/Year)		ine) X	Form f	iled by One iled by Mor	Repo	g (Check Ap orting Perso n One Repo	n	
		Tab	le I - Nor	n-Deriv	ative	Sec	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	osed o	of, or Be	nefici	ally	Owned	l				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da				ar)   E	Execution f any	A. Deemed xecution Date, any /lonth/Day/Year)		Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ities Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		4 and Securiti Benefic		es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
							Code	v	Amount	(A) o	Price		Transaci (Instr. 3	ction(s)			(Instr. 4)			
	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		3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	ate, Transa Code (				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title an Amount o Securities Underlyin Derivative (Instr. 3 a	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisabl		xpiration ate	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	er						
Employee Stock Option	\$11.64	05/01/2012			A		5,000		(1)	0	5/01/2022	Common Stock	5,000	)	(2)	5,000		D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The options vest and become exercisable in four equal installments on each of May 1, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016.
- 2. Field intentionally left blank in accordance with instructions to Form 4.

Sara Shindel 05/03/2012

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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).

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