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DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC  
Form 4  
December 26, 2002

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

Check box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations  
may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person\*

Smith Jack A.  
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(Last) (First) (Middle)

5900 LAKE ELLENOR DRIVE  
P.O. BOX 593330

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(Street)

ORLANDO FL 32859-3330  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

DARDEN RESTAURANTS, INC. (DRI)

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3. IRS Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an Entity (Voluntary)

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4. Statement for Month/Year

12/23/2002

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5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

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6. Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

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7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line)

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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.<br>Title of Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Transaction<br>Date<br>(mm/dd/yy) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) |   | 4.<br>Securities Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |                  | Price   |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|---|--|------------------|---------|
|                                       |   | Code                                    | V | Amount   | (A)<br>or<br>(D) |         |
| Common Stock                          | 12/23/02                                | S                                       |   | 3,000  | D                | \$20.76 |

\* 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)

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Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| 1.<br>Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conver-<br>sion<br>or<br>Exer-<br>cise<br>Price<br>of<br>Deriv-<br>ative<br>Secur-<br>ity | 3.<br>Trans-<br>action<br>Date<br>(Month/<br>Day/<br>Year) | 4.<br>Trans-<br>action<br>Code<br>(Instr.<br>8)<br>-----<br>Code V | 5.<br>Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4 and 5)<br>-----<br>(A) (D) | 6.<br>Date<br>Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)<br>-----<br>Date      Expira-<br>Exer-      tion<br>cisable      Date | 7.<br>Title and Amount<br>of Underlying<br>Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)<br>-----<br>Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
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Explanation of Responses:

Note 1: Represents amount of securities beneficially owned as of 12/23/02.

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 /s/ Paula J. Shives 12/26/02  
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**\*\*Signature of Reporting Person** Date

BY: Paula J. 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.