

Michaels Companies, Inc.  
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# FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

Blackstone Group  
Management L.L.C.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

345 PARK AVENUE,

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10154

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)  
06/26/2014

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Michaels Companies, Inc. [MIK]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_X\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security  
(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned  
(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form:  
Direct (D)  
or Indirect (I)  
(Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership  
(Instr. 5)

|              |            |   |  |
|--------------|------------|---|--|
| Common Stock | 61,499,301 | I | See Footnotes (1) (7) (9) (11) (12) (13) |
| Common Stock | 14,065,576 | I | See Footnotes (2) (7) (9) (11) (12) (13) |
| Common Stock | 880,838    | I | See Footnotes (3) (8) (9) (11) (12) (13) |
| Common Stock | 186,965    | I | See Footnotes (4) (8) (9) (11) (12) (13) |
| Common Stock | 2,742,216  | I | See Footnotes (5) (7) (9) (11) (12) (13) |
| Common Stock | 2,080,734  | I | See Footnotes (6) (10) (11) (12) (13)    |

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                    | 3. Title and Amount of<br>Securities Underlying<br>Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) |                                  | 4. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 5. Ownership<br>Form of<br>Derivative<br>Security:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 5) | 6. Nature of Indirect<br>Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
|---|--|--------------------|--|----------------------------------|--|--|---|
|   | Date<br>Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares |  |  |   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Blackstone Group Management L.L.C.<br>345 PARK AVENUE<br>NEW YORK, NY 10154            | ^             | ^ X       | ^       | ^     |
| BCP V Side-by-Side GP L.L.C.<br>345 PARK AVENUE<br>NEW YORK, NY 10154                  | ^             | ^ X       | ^       | ^     |
| BLACKSTONE FAMILY GP LLC<br>345 PARK AVENUE<br>NEW YORK, NY 10154                      | ^             | ^ X       | ^       | ^     |
| Blackstone Holdings III L.P.<br>345 PARK AVENUE<br>NEW YORK, NY 10154                  | ^             | ^ X       | ^       | ^     |
| Blackstone Holdings III GP L.P.<br>345 PARK AVENUE<br>NEW YORK, NY 10154               | ^             | ^ X       | ^       | ^     |
| Blackstone Holdings III GP Management L.L.C.<br>345 PARK AVENUE<br>NEW YORK, NY 10154  | ^             | ^ X       | ^       | ^     |
| Blackstone Group L.P.<br>345 PARK AVENUE<br>NEW YORK, NY 10154                         | ^             | ^ X       | ^       | ^     |
| BMA V L.L.C.<br>C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP<br>345 PARK AVENUE<br>NEW YORK, NY 10154      | ^             | ^ X       | ^       | ^     |
| SCHWARZMAN STEPHEN A<br>C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP<br>345 PARK AVE<br>NEW YORK, NY 10154 | ^             | ^ X       | ^       | ^     |

STEPHEN A. SCHWARZMAN By: /s/ Stephen A. Schwarzman Name: Stephen A. Schwarzman 06/26/2014

\_\_\_\_\_  
\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

(7) The general partner of Blackstone Capital Partners V L.P., BCP V-S L.P. and BCP V Co-Investors L.P. is Blackstone Management Associates V L.L.C. BMA V L.L.C. is the sole member of Blackstone Management Associates V L.L.C.

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- (8) The general partner of Blackstone Family Investment Partnership V L.P. and Blackstone Participation Partnership V L.P. is BCP V Side-by-Side GP L.L.C.
- Blackstone Holdings III L.P. is the sole member of BCP V Side-by-Side GP L.L.C. and the managing member and majority in interest owner of BMA V L.L.C. The general partner of Blackstone Holdings III L.P. is Blackstone Holdings III GP L.P. The general partner of Blackstone Holdings III GP L.P. is Blackstone Holdings III GP Management L.L.C. The sole member of Blackstone Holdings III GP Management L.L.C. is The Blackstone Group L.P. The general partner of The Blackstone Group L.P. is Blackstone Group Management L.L.C. Blackstone Group Management L.L.C. is wholly-owned by Blackstone's senior managing directors and controlled by its founder, Stephen A. Schwarzman.
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- (10) The general partner of Blackstone Family Investment Partnership V-SMD L.P. is Blackstone Family GP L.L.C. Blackstone Family GP L.L.C. is wholly owned by Blackstone's senior managing directors and controlled by its founder, Mr. Schwarzman.
- (11) Information with respect to each of the Reporting Persons is given solely by such Reporting Person, and no Reporting Person has responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of information supplied by another Reporting Person.
- Each of the Reporting Persons (other than each of the Blackstone Funds to the extent they directly hold securities reported herein), disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities held by the Blackstone Funds, except to the extent of such Reporting Person's pecuniary interest therein, and, pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(4) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each of the Reporting Persons (other than each of the Blackstone Funds to the extent they directly hold securities reported herein) states that the inclusion of these securities in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of all of the reported securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (12)
- Due to the limitations of the electronic filing system, Blackstone Management Associates V L.L.C., Blackstone Capital Partners V L.P., BCP V-S L.P., Blackstone Family Investment Partnership V L.P., Blackstone Participation Partnership V L.P., BCP V Co-Investors L.P. and Blackstone Family Investment Partnership V-SMD L.P. have filed a separate Form 3.
- (13)

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