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BALMUTH MICHAEL Sy			Symbol	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ROSS STORES INC [ROST]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
									(Check all applicable)				
				. Date of Earliest Transaction Month/Day/Year)					_X_ Director10% Owner				
4440 ROSE	WOOD DR.		05/18/20	•					X Officer (give below)		er (specify		
	(Street)		4. If Amer	ndment, Da	ate Ori	iginal			6. Individual or Jo	oint/Group Filir	ng(Check		
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PLEASANT	ON, CA 94588								Form filed by M Person	Iore than One Re	eporting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-I	Deriva	ative S	ecurit	ies Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)2A. Deem Execution any (Month/Day/Year)		n Date, if Transaction(A) Code (D)			nstr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)				
					7		(A) or	D ·	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common				Code V		nount	(D)	Price					
Common Stock	05/18/2011			А	(1)	,188	А	\$0	562,617	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)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Secur	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owno Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
BALMUTH MICHAEL						
4440 ROSEWOOD DR.	Х		Vice Chairman and CEO			
PLEASANTON, CA 94588						
Signatures						
/s/ Mark LeHocky for MICHA CEO	05/23/2011					
<u>**</u> Signature of Reporting F	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).

(1) Shares issued under the terms of the 2008 Equity Incentive Plan. Shares become vested as follow: 100% to vest on May 26, 2014.

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