FORM 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Ad	dress of Reportin	F	2. Date of Event Requiring Stater Month/Day/Yea	ment	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Bloomin' Brands, Inc. [BLMN]								
(Last) (First) (Middle)			08/07/2012		Relationship of Reporting Pers (Check all applicable)					5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
JOHN HANC CLARENDO (Street) BOSTON	MA	02116			X Director Officer (give title below)	X	10% Owner Other (specify below)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)											
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned													
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)) F	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
Common Stock						70,075,000		I		See Footnotes ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾⁽⁶⁾			
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)													
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)			2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		d 3. Title and Amount of Secur Underlying Derivative Secur 4)			rity (Instr. Cor		ersion	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title			Amount or Number of Shares	Exerci Price Deriva Securi	of itive	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Mr. Andrew Balson is a Managing Director of Bain Capital Investors, LLC ("BCI"). BCI is the sole general partner of Bain Capital Partners IX, L.P. ("BCP IX"), which is the sole general partner of Bain Capital (OSI) IX, L.P. ("BC OSI IX").
- 2. BCI is also the sole general partner of BCP IX, which is also the sole general partner of Bain Capital (OSI) IX Coinvestment, L.P. ("BC OSI IX-CO").
- 3. BCI is also the managing partner of BCIP Associates-G ("BCIP G").
- 4. BCI is also the administrative member of Bain Capital Integral Investors 2006, LLC ("BCI 2006").
- 5. BCI is also the administrative member of BCIP TCV, LLC ("BCIP TCV" and together with BC OSI IX, BC OSI IX-CO, BCIP G and BCI 2006, the "Bain Entities").
- 6. By virtue of these relationships described in the foregoing footnotes, Mr. Balson may be deemed to share voting and dispositive power with respect to all of the shares of Common Stock held by the Bain Entities. Mr. Balson disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

<u>/s/ Andrew Balson</u> <u>08/07/2012</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (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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