FORM 3

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Name and Address of Reporting Person     Petersen Sue	* 2. Date of Requiring (Month/Da 03/01/20	Statement ay/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NOODLES & Co [ NDLS ]					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 520 ZANG ST., UNIT D	03/01/20	21	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  Officer (give Other (specify		) Owner	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
Street) BROOMFIELD CO 80021			X title below) below)  EVP-Inclusion, Divers, People			X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City) (State) (Zip)								
	Table I - No	n-Derivat	ive Securities Benefic	cially O	wned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Owner Form: D (D) or In (I) (Insti	Direct O	Nature of Indire wnership (Instr.	ature of Indirect Beneficial ership (Instr. 5)	
Class A Common Stock			39,115(1)	I	)			
(6			Securities Beneficiants, options, convert					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion	se Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr.	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	5)	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	03/04/2025	Class A Common Stock	4,000	18.43	D		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	05/06/2025	Class A Common Stock	4,651	16.7	D		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	11/16/2025	Class A Common Stock	5,125	10.64	D		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	03/30/2026	Class A Common Stock	4,000	12.28	D		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(3)	06/29/2028	Class A Common Stock	2,018	12.3	D		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(4)	06/28/2029	Class A Common Stock	3,278	7.88	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Includes 24,347 shares of restricted stock units (RSUs) that have not yet vested. Each RSU represents a right to receive one share of Noodles & Company Class A common stock
- 2. These options are fully vested.
- $3.\ Includes\ 1,009\ in\ vested\ options\ and\ 505\ options\ that\ will\ vest\ on\ 6/29/21\ and\ 504\ options\ that\ will\ vest\ on\ 6/29/22.$
- 4. Includes 820 in vested options and 820 options that will vest on 6/28/21 and 819 options that will vest on 6/28/22 and 6/28/23.

## Remarks:

/s/ Melissa Heidman, attorney in fact

03/11/2021

\*\* Signature of Reporting

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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