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## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  MURPHY PAUL J B III				2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol NOODLES & Co [ NDLS ]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)								
(Last)		irst)	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/10/2017							X		give title		10% Ov Other (s below)		
(Street) BROOM		State)	80021 (Zip)	n Dovi	_				f Original F		`	, ,		Line) X	Form fil Form fil Person	ed by One	Repo	(Check App rting Persor One Repor	ı
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D			nsactio	2A. Deemed Execution Date,		quired, Disposed of, or Benefici  3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) o Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 1)		or 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Follow		s Illy ollowing	Form	Direct Ir Indirect B str. 4)	7. Nature of ndirect Beneficial Ownership						
								Code	v	Amount	Amount (A) or (D)		rice	Transacti	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Class A Common Stock 07/:			07/1	10/20	/2017		A		150,000 <sup>(1)</sup> A		A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	150	150,000		D			
			Table II -												wned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	cise (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Year)   Code (Instr.   Securities   Acquired (A) or Disposed   (Month/Day/Year)   Underlying   Underlying		nd Amo ities ng re Secur	unt	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported	e s illy	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)									
				,	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisabl		xpiration ate	Title	Amor or Numl of Sh	ber		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)			
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$4.1	07/10/2017			A		100,000		(2)	0	7/10/2027	Class A Common Stock	100	,000	\$0	100,00	00	D	
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	07/10/2017			A		50,000		(3)		(3)	Class A Common	50,	000	\$0	50,00	0	D	

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Award of Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") received on July 10, 2017. Each RSU represents a right to receive one share of Noodles & Company Class A common stock. The RSUs vest in four equal annual installments beginning on July 10, 2018.
- 2. These options vest 25% per year beginning one year after the transaction date.
- 3. Each RSU represents a right to receive one share of Noodles & Company's Class A common stock. These restricted stock unites are subject to performance-based vesting conditions linked to Noodles & Company's share price for the period of July 10, 2017 through December 31, 2020 (the "Performance Period"). If Noodles & Company's shares attain a \$15 per share average closing price for two consecutive calendar quarters or certain price targets are achieved in connection with a change in control during the Performance Period, then 100% of such RSU's granted will vest.

### Remarks:

/s/ Paul A Strasen, attorney in

fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

07/11/2017

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 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).

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