

ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
HOBSON MELLODY L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ARIEL CAPITAL  
MANAGEMENT, LLC, 200 EAST  
RANDOLPH DRIVE, STE. 2900

(Street)

CHICAGO, IL 60601

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES  
INC [EL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/15/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	

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)**

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Pr Deriv Secur (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Units (Share Payout)	<u>(1)</u>	03/15/2017		A <u>(2)</u>	59.13	<u>(3)</u> <u>(3)</u>	Class A Common Stock 59.13	\$ 8
Stock Units (Cash Payout)	<u>(1)</u>	03/15/2017		A <u>(2)</u>	137.88	<u>(3)</u> <u>(3)</u>	Class A Common Stock 137.88	\$ 8

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HOBSON MELLODY L  
 ARIEL CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC  
 200 EAST RANDOLPH DRIVE, STE. 2900  
 CHICAGO, IL 60601

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## Signatures

Mellody Hobson, by Maureen Sladek,  
 Attorney-in-fact

03/16/2017

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

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) Not applicable.

(2) Represents reinvestment of dividend equivalents on outstanding stock units.

(3) The Stock Units will be paid out the first business day of the calendar year following the last date of the Reporting Person's service as a director of the Company.

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