#### SANDERSON FARMS INC

Form 4

February 16, 2016

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A KHAYAT I	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SANDERSON FARMS INC [SAFM]				ng	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)					
(Last) 127 FLYN		Middle)	3. Date of (Month/D 02/11/20	•	ansaction			_X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify below)			
				If Amendment, Date Original led(Month/Day/Year)				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	e I - Non-E	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Data (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any	med on Date, if Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired Cransaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	02/11/2016			Code V A	Amount 1,806	(D)	Price \$ 0 (1)	16,027	D		
Common Stock	02/11/2016			F	2,760	D	\$ 81.17	13,267	D		

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

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transacti	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title Amount		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
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				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Amount or Number of Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
KHAYAT ROBERT C 127 FLYNT ROAD LAUREL, MS 39443	X							

## **Signatures**

/s/ D. Michael Cockrell, Attorney-in-Fact 02/16/2016

\*\*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) The reported transaction was a grant by the Issuer of restricted stock. Thus, there was no price.

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