STEIN MART INC Form 4 March 16, 2016

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Kleffner Gregory W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(First) (Middle) STEIN MART INC [SMRT] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

Executive VP and CFO

C/O STEIN MART, INC., 1200

(Street)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year) 03/14/2016

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

RIVERPLACE BOULEVARD

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

JACKSONVILLE, FL 32207

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

Person

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

(City)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Zip)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (T)

(Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

1. Title of Derivative Security

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Acquired (A Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, 5)	f (D)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.35	03/14/2016		A		100,000		<u>(1)</u>	03/13/2026	Common Stock	100,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Kleffner Gregory W C/O STEIN MART, INC. 1200 RIVERPLACE BOULEVARD JACKSONVILLE, FL 32207

Executive VP and CFO

Signatures

Greg L. Lohman, 03/16/2016 attorney-in-fact

**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 options vest over 5 years with 33% vesting on the third anniversary of the grant date, 33% on the fourth anniversary and 34% on the fifth anniversary.

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