

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 * <b>BRINK JOSEPH</b>	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (MM/DD/YYYY) <b>8/9/2017</b>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>Fiesta Restaurant Group, Inc. [FRGI]</b>
(Last) (First) (Middle) <b>C/O FIESTA RESTAURANT GROUP, INC., 14800 LANDMARK BOULEVARD</b>	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <b>VP, Chief Procurement Officer /</b>	
(Street) <b>DALLAS, TX 75254</b>  (City) (State) (Zip)	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
<b>Common Stock, \$0.01 par value</b>	<b>17091</b>	<b>D</b>	

### Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned ( e.g. , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (MM/DD/YYYY)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
<b>Performance Rights</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>Common Stock</b>	<b>2410</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>D</b>	

#### Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Each performance right represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock. The performance rights vest on March 6, 2020 upon (i) the Issuer's common stock achieving an average closing market price at or above \$25.00 for the last 20 trading days of the performance period with March 6, 2018 as the last day of the performance period and (ii) the employment of the Reporting Person by the Issuer on March 6, 2020.

#### Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
<b>BRINK JOSEPH C/O FIESTA RESTAURANT GROUP, INC. 14800 LANDMARK BOULEVARD DALLAS, TX 75254</b>			<b>VP, Chief Procurement Officer</b>	

#### Signatures

/s/ Joseph W. Brink

8/17/2017

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

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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