

Fiesta Restaurant Group, Inc.  
 Form 3  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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|--|---|--|---|---|--|
| <p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>MEISENHEIMER DANNY K</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>C/O FIESTA RESTAURANT GROUP, INC., 14800 LANDMARK BOULEVARD, SUITE 500</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>ADDISON, TX 75254</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p> | <p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>11/14/2012</p> | <p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>Fiesta Restaurant Group, Inc. [FRGI]</p> | <p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner<br/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other<br/>                 (give title below) (specify below)<br/>                 Interim COO - Pollo Tropical</p> | <p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p> | <p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br/> <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p> |
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned<br>(Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Common Stock, \$0.01 par value     | 10,000   | D   | ^  |

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

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

| 1. Title of Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying | 4. Conversion | 5. Ownership | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership |
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| (Month/Day/Year)    | Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | Form of<br>Derivative<br>Security:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) | (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------|---|--|------------|
| Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date                | Title   | Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares                                       |            |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                                |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                        | Other |
| MEISENHEIMER DANNY K<br>C/O FIESTA RESTAURANT GROUP, INC.<br>14800 LANDMARK BOULEVARD, SUITE 500<br>ADDISON, TX 75254 | Â             | Â         | Â Interim COO - Pollo Tropical | Â     |

## Signatures

/s/ Daniel Meisenheimer 11/21/2012

Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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