

THRIFFILEY DONALD A JR  
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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 \*  
THRIFFILEY DONALD A JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
FLOWERS FOODS INC [FLO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
200 OAK TRACE DRIVE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
09/21/2010

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

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(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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THOMASVILLE, GA 31792

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	09/21/2010		M	9,075 A \$ 18.68	31,842	D	
Common Stock	09/21/2010		M	9,825 A \$ 19.57	41,667	D	
Common Stock	09/22/2010		S	18,900 (5) D \$ 25.06	22,767	D	
Common Stock					4,091	I (2)	By 401(k)

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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 (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)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 18.68	09/21/2010		M	9,075	01/03/2009	01/03/2013	Common Stock	9,075
Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 19.57	09/21/2010		M	9,825	02/05/2010	02/05/2014	Common Stock	9,825
Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 24.75					02/04/2011	02/04/2015	Common Stock	9,400
Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 23.84					02/09/2012	02/09/2016	Common Stock	12,550
Restricted Stock Award <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 0					02/09/2011	<sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock	2,600
Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 25.01					02/09/2013	02/09/2017	Common Stock	13,900
Restricted Stock Award <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 0 <sup>(4)</sup>					02/09/2012	<sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock	2,200

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

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## Signatures

/s/ Stephen R. Avera,  
Agent

09/23/2010

\_\_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) Granted pursuant to the Flowers Foods, Inc. 2001 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan.
- (2) Total includes exempt acquisitions of shares allocated to reporting person in Issuer's 401(k) Plan, as of 12/31/2009.
- (3) Grant expires on Exercisable Date if performance measures are not met.
- (4) In accordance with the terms of the 2010 Restricted Stock Award Agreement, the performance shares awarded do not have a conversion or exercise price.
- (5) Shares sold in connection with the exercise of vested nonqualified stock option grants.

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