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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 Prides Capital Partners, LLC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 ARK RESTAURANTS CORP  
 [ARKR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 200 HIGH STREET, SUITE 700  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/02/2009

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

BOSTON, MA 02110

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, \$.01 par value	02/02/2009		S	22,600 D	\$ 10.4 338,256	I	See Footnote (1)
Common Stock, \$.01 par value	02/03/2009		S	4,400 D	\$ 10.03 333,856	I	See Footnote (1)

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 (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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Prides Capital Partners, LLC 200 HIGH STREET SUITE 700 BOSTON, MA 02110				former 10% owner
Richardson Kevin A II 200 HIGH STREET SUITE 700 BOSTON, MA 02110				former 10% owner
Indick Murray A 200 HIGH STREET SUITE 700 BOSTON, MA 02110				former 10% owner
Lawlor Henry J Jr 200 HIGH STREET SUITE 700 BOSTON, MA 02110				former 10% owner
McCarthy Charles E 200 HIGH STREET SUITE 700 BOSTON, MA 02110				former 10% owner

## Signatures

Prides Capital Partners, LLC  
02/04/2009  
Date

<u>  </u> **Signature of Reporting Person	
Kevin A. Richardson, II	02/04/2009
<u>  </u> **Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Murray A. Indick	02/04/2009
<u>  </u> **Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Henry J. Lawlor Jr.	02/04/2009
<u>  </u> **Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Charles E. McCarthy	02/04/2009
<u>  </u> **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).

The shares of Common Stock reported herein as indirectly beneficially owned by Prides Capital Partners, L.L.C. are owned directly by Prides Capital Fund I, L.P. (333,856 shares of common stock). Because Prides Capital Partners, L.L.C. is the general partner of Prides Capital Fund I, L.P., Prides Capital Partners, L.L.C. may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of shares owned by such entity. Because (1) Kevin A. Richardson, II, Murray A. Indick, Henry J. Lawlor, Jr., and Charles E. McCarthy are the controlling shareholders of Prides Capital Partners, L.L.C., they may be deemed to be the beneficial owners of shares deemed to be beneficially owned by such entity. Each of Prides Capital Partners, L.L.C., Prides Capital Fund I, L.P, Kevin A. Richardson, II, Murray A. Indick, Henry J. Lawlor, Jr., and Charles E. McCarthy disclaim beneficial ownership of these shares, except to the extent of any pecuniary interest therein.

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