FORM 3

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Paker Daugles D	2. Date of Even Requiring State (Month/Day/Yea	ment	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ROSS STORES INC [ ROST ]				
(Last) (First) (Middle)	03/16/2011		4. Relationship of Reporting Pers (Check all applicable)	, ,	(Mo	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	
4440 ROSEWOOD DR.			Director  Officer (give title below)	10% Owne Other (spe below)	cify 6. Ir	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  Form filed by One Reporting	
(Street)			Pres., Chief Merch	Off - dd's	)	Y Person	
PLEASANTON CA 94588						Form filed b Reporting F	y More than One Person
(City) (State) (Zip)							
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned							
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			Amount of Securities eneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	1		. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership nstr. 5)	
Common Stock			100,158	D			
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)							
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr.		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Non Qualified Stock Option	(1)	03/31/2015	Common Stock	12,000	29.14	D	
Non Qualified Stock Option	(1)	03/16/2016	Common Stock	14,000	27.81	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Option is exercisable as it vests in monthly increments beginning the first full month from date of grant with a vested ratio of 1/72 for the first year, 2/72 for the second year and 3/72 for the third year.

/s/ John G. Call for Douglas D.

Baker President, Chief 04/13/2011

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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