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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type	e Responses)																
1. Name and Simms Ric		Reporting Person*		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ROCKY BRANDS, INC. [RCKY]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner								
(Last) (First) (Middle) 39 EAST CANAL STREET					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2015							X_Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) President-Retail Sales					
NEI CON	WILE OF	(Street)		4. If Ame	ndm	ent, Dat	e Origi	inal Filed	(Month	/Day/Year)		_X_ Fo	rm filed by	One Reporting	p Filing(Check Person Reporting Person	Applicable Lin	ne)
NELSON' (City)		(State)	(Zip)			т	ahle I	- Non-D	erivat	ive Securitie	s Acan	ired I	Disnosed	of or Rene	ficially Owne	d	
1.Title of Security 2. Tran. (Instr. 3) Date		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year	Executi	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if		3. Trar	nsaction	4. S (A)	4. Securities Acquire (A) or Disposed of ((Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Am Owne	red, Disposed of, or Beneficially Own . Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Fransaction(s)		eneficially d	6. Ownership Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial	
				(Month/Day/Year)		/Year)	Cod	e V	Am	ount (A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)					Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common	Stock, with	out par value	01/02/2015				M		500) A	\$ 0	2,500)]	D	
Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date	Table II - 3A. Deemed Execution Date, i	(e.g., put	s, ca	lls, war 5. Nun	rants,	options, 6. Date	Exerc	d of, or Bene ertible securi isable and ate	7. Titl	e and	Amount		9. Number o		11. Nat
		Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, in	4. Transa Code	etion	lls, war 5. Nun	rants, nber tive	disp iired, Di options,	spose conversion Da	ertible securi isable and ite	valid O	Owner e and derlying ties	Amount	8. Price of	9. Number o		hip of India Benefic
	Derivative Security					Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		d of							Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Security Direct (I or Indire s) (I) (Instr. 4)	O) ct
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis		Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock	<u>(1)</u>	01/02/2015		М			500	<u>(2</u>)	1	01/02/2018	Com Sto with par v	ck, out	500	\$ 0	1,500	D	
Unit											0	mon					
	(1)	01/02/2015		A		3,000		<u>(2</u>	1	01/02/2019	Sto with par v	ck, out	3,000	\$ 0	3,000	D	

Reporting Owners

D (O N /	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Simms Richard 39 EAST CANAL STREET NELSONVILLE, OH 45764			President-Retail Sales				

Signatures

Curtis A. Loveland, Attorney-in-Fact	01/06/2015	

**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

- \star 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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Issuer's Common Stock.
- (2) Restricted stock unit vests 25% per year beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (3) Option vests 20% per year beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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