

DOLLAR GENERAL CORP

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FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

Filed 08/11/98 for the Period Ending 07/31/98

Address	100 MISSION RIDGE GOODLETTSVILLE, TN, 37072
Telephone	6158554000
CIK	0000029534
Symbol	DG
SIC Code	5331 - Retail-Variety Stores
Industry	Discount Stores
Sector	Consumer Cyclical
Fiscal Year	02/02

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Address	100 MISSION RIDGE GOODLETTSVILLE, Tennessee 37072
Telephone	615-855-4000
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Industry	Retail (Specialty)
Sector	Services
Fiscal Year	01/31

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP
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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or
Section 30(f) of the Investment Company Act 1940

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol		6. Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer (Check all Applicable)	
TURNER, JR.	CAL		Dollar General Corporation (DG)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
(Last)	(First)	(MI)	3. IRS or Soc. Sec. No. of Reporting Person (Voluntary)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
104 Woodmont Blvd., Suite 300					---(give title below) --- (Specify below)	
(Street)					CHAIRMAN AND CEO	
Nashville	TN	37205	5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)		7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person	
					<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

TABLE I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Mon/Day/Yr)	3. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		4. Security Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 & 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr. 3 & 4)	6. Own. Form (D) or (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
		Code	V	Amount	(A) (D)	Price			
Common Stock	07/15/1998	S		100000	D	\$45.7916			
Common Stock	07/16/1998	S		165300	D	\$45.1123	1782594	D	
Common Stock							5580	I	ESOP TRUST
Common Stock							372525	I	SPOUSE
Common Stock	07/16/1998	S		4000	D	\$45.0784	131609	I	BURNETT CRAT
Preferred Stock							72705	I	TTEE TURNER FAMILY FOUNDATION
Preferred Stock							1613742	I	CO-TTEE TURNER CHILD. TRUST
Preferred Stock							29295	I	CO-TTEE L.WILSON COLLEGE FDN.

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class securities owned directly or indirectly.
*If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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TABLE II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible security)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Mon/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 & 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 & 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr. 4)	10. Form of Ownership (D) or Ind. (I)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exbl.	Exp. Date					
Stock Option	\$6.2914						06/01 2003	12/01 2003	Common Stock	97275	97275	D	
Stock Option	\$7.8970						10/11 2003	04/11 2004	Common Stock	48635	48635	D	
Stock Option	\$12.2880						09/25 2005	03/25 2006	Common Stock	78471	78471	D	
Stock Option	\$12.2880						03/25 1999	03/25 2006	Common Stock	58852	58852	D	
Stock Option	\$20.9600						09/21 2006	03/21 2007	Common Stock	97656	97656	D	
Stock Option	\$20.9600						09/21 2006	03/21 2007	Common Stock	48827	48827	D	
Stock Option	\$21.9200						06/02 2000	06/02 2007	Common Stock	36621	36621	D	
Stock Option	\$12.2880						09/25 2005	03/25 2006	Common Stock	156946	156946	D	

Explanation of Responses:

**Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

/s/BOB CARPENTER FOR Cal Turner, Jr. 08/10/1998

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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