

DOLLAR GENERAL CORP

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FORM 3

(Initial Statement of Beneficial Ownership)

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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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INITIAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	4. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
SIMS	JEFFREY		03/02/1999	Dollar General Corporation (DG)	
(Last)	(First)	(MI)		5. Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer (Check all Applicable)	
104 Woodmont Blvd., Suite 300				Director 10% Owner	
(Street)			3. IRS or Soc. Sec. No. of Reporting Person (Voluntary)	X Officer Other	
Nashville	TN	37205		---(give title below)---(Specify below)	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		6. If Amendment, Date of Original (Mon/Day/Year)	
				7. Individual or Joint/ Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)	
				X Form filed by One Reporting Person	
				Form filed by More than Reporting Person	

TABLE I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
COMMON STOCK	1,400	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class securities owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-96)
*If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Own. Form of Deri. Sec. (D) or Ind. (I)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

Explanation of Responses:

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/s/JEFFREY SIMS

03/10/1999

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Note: File three copies of this form, one of which must be manually signed. If space provided is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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SIMS, JEFFREY

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