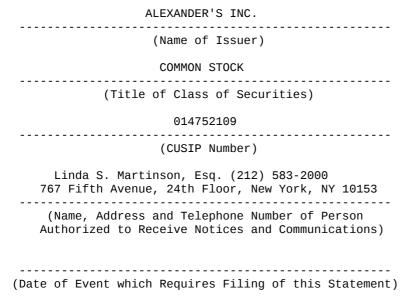
# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 2)\*



If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition which is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of Rule 13d-1(b)(3) or (4), check the following box  $[\ ]$ .

Check the following box if a fee is being paid with this statement [ ]. (A fee is not required only if the filing person: (1) has a previous statement on file reporting beneficial ownership of more than five percent of the class of securities described in Item 1; and (2) has filed no amendment subsequent thereto reporting beneficial ownership of five percent or less of such class.) (See Rule 13d-7.)

\*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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CUSIP	Amendment Number 2 Schedule 13 No. 014752109 Page 2 of 1	
1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PER	SON
	Baron Capital Group, Inc.	
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GRO	
3	SEC USE ONLY	
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 5 TO ITE	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDING IS	REQUIRED PURSUANT
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION	
S	MBER OF 7 SOLE VOTING POWER SHARES 81,500	
OW	WNED BY 8 SHARED VOTING POWER EACH 358,380	
P	PERSON 9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER WITH 81,500	
	10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER	
	358,380	
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH RE	PORTING PERSON
	439,880	
	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11)	
 13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW	
	8.8%	
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*	
	HC. CO	

\*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT

CUSIP	No. 0147521	
1		PORTING PERSON R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON
	BAMCO, Inc	
2	CHECK THE	APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*  (a) [ X ]  (b) [ ]
3	SEC USE ON	
4	SOURCE OF	
	00	
5 TO ITE		IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDING IS REQUIRED PURSUANT
	2(C) OR 2(	E) [ ]
6	CITIZENSHI	P OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
S	MBER OF SHARES	7 SOLE VOTING POWER
OW	EACH EPORTING	8 SHARED VOTING POWER 260,000
		9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
		10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
		260,000
11	AGGREGATE	AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
	260,000	
12 SHARES		IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN
		OLAGO DEDDECENTED DV AMOUNT TN DOU (44)
13	5.2%	CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
 14		PORTING PERSON*
<b>-</b> 7	IA, CO	. ON THE TENOR

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CUSIP No. 014752109 Page 4 of 11 Pages 1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON Baron Capital Management, Inc. 2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\* (a) [X] (b) [ ] 3 SEC USE ONLY -----4 SOURCE OF FUNDS 00 5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDING IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(C) OR 2(E) [ ] -----CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION NUMBER OF 7 SOLE VOTING POWER SHARES 81,500 BENEFICIALLY -----OWNED BY 8 SHARED VOTING POWER EACH 98,380 REPORTING PERSON 9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER WITH 81,500 10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 98,380 11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 179,880 12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\* 13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 3.6% 14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\* IA, CO

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Amendment Number 2 Schedule 13D (continued)

CUSIP No. 014752109 Page 5 of 11 Pages 1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON Baron Asset Fund 2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\* (a) [X] (b) [ ] 3 SEC USE ONLY -----4 SOURCE OF FUNDS 00 5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDING IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(C) OR 2(E) [ ] \_\_\_\_\_\_ CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION NUMBER OF SOLE VOTING POWER SHARES BENEFICIALLY ------OWNED BY 8 SHARED VOTING POWER EACH 240,000 REPORTING PERSON 9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER WITH 10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 240,000 11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 240,000 12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\* 13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 4.8% 14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\* IV, 00

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## Schedule 13D, Amendment No. 2 (continued)

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1	NAME OF RE S.S. OR I.		
	Ronald Baro	n	
2	CHECK THE	APPROF	PRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a) [ ] (b) [ ]
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4	SOURCE OF	FUNDS	
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5 TO ITE	MS		SCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDING IS REQUIRED PURSUANT
	2(C) OR 2(	E)	
 6	CITIZENSHI	 P OR F	PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
	USA		
			SOLE VOTING POWER
S	SHARES		87,020
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F			SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 87,020
		10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 358,380
11	AGGREGATE	AMOUNT	BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
	445,400		
12 SHARES		IF THE	E AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN
13	PERCENT OF	CLASS	S REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
	8.9%		
14	TYPE OF RE	PORTIN	IG PERSON*
	IN		
		*5	SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT

### Item 1. Security and Issuer

(a) Name of Issuer:

Alexander's Inc.

- (b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices: Park 80 West, Plaza II Saddle Brook, NJ 07663
- (c) Title and Class of Securities: Common Stock

### Item 2. Identity and Background

(a) Name:

Baron Capital Group, Inc. ('BCG')

BAMCO, Inc. ('BAMCO')

Baron Capital Management, Inc. ('BCM')

Baron Asset Fund ('BAF')

Ronald Baron

(b) Business Address:

767 Fifth Avenue

24th Floor

New York, NY 10153

(c) Present Principal Employment:

BCG: Holding company
BAMCO: Investment adviser
BCM: Investment adviser

BAF: Registered investment company

Ronald Baron: President: BCG, BAMCO, BCM; CEO OF BAF

767 Fifth Avenue

24th Floor

New York, NY 10153

(d) Record of Convictions:

During the last five years, Filing Persons were not convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors.)

(e) Record of Civil Proceedings:

During the last five years, Filing Persons were not a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and as a result of such proceeding was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating such activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

(f) Citizenship:

BCG, BAMCO and BCM are New York corporations. BAF is a Massachusetts business trust. Ronald Baron is a citizen of the United States.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration Reporting Person owns 5,520 shares of the issuer directly, paid for with cash for an aggregate purchase price of \$304,022. BAMCO directed the purchase of 260,000 shares of the issuer for its investment advisory clients for an aggregate purchase price of \$16,889,292. Of those shares, 240,000 were purchased for the account of BAF, for a total purchase price of \$15,563,858. BCM directed the purchase of 98,380 shares of the issuer for its investment advisory clients for an aggregate purchase price of \$6,055,834. BCM also directed the purchase of 81,500 shares for two investment partnerships for an aggregate purchase price of \$3,752,304. All of the shares were paid for by cash assets in the respective clients' accounts and by margin borrowings for the account of one BCM client pursuant to standard margin agreement with Spear, Leeds & Kellogg.

### Item 4. Purpose of Transaction

The securities referred to herein were acquired in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired for the purpose of and do not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of such securities and were not acquired in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purposes of effect. Filing Persons reserve the right to discuss management and other proposals with other persons.

#### Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

(a) Amount and percentage beneficially owned:

BCG: 439,880 8.8%\*
BAMCO: 260,000 5.2%\*
BCM: 179,880 3.6%\*
BAF: 240,000 4.8%
Ronald Baron: 445,400 8.9%\*

 $^{\star}$ Disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares

(b) Number of shares as to which such person has:

(i) sole power to vote or direct the vote:

BCG\*: 81,500 BAMCO\*: 0 BCM\*: 81,500 BAF: 0 Ronald Baron\*: 87,020

(ii) shared power to vote or direct the vote:

BCG\*: 358,380 BAMCO\*: 260,000 BCM\*: 98,380 BAF: 240,000 Ronald Baron\*: 358,380

(iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition:

BCG\*: 81,500 BAMCO\*: 0 BCM\*: 81,500 BAF: 0 Ronald Baron\*: 87,020

(iv) shared power to dispose or direct the disposition:

BCG\*: 358,380 BAMCO\*: 260,000 BCM\*: 98,380 BAF: 240,000 Ronald Baron\*: 358,380

\*Reporting Persons may be deemed to share power to vote and dispose of shares referred to herein as a result of control relationships (BCG and Ronald Baron with respect to all of the shares; BAMCO with respect to the BAF shares) and pursuant to investment advisory relationships with advisory clients. The shares reported above for sole power are attributable to investment partnerships for which BCM and Ronald Baron serve as general partners. Reporting Persons disclaim beneficial ownership of the shares for which they share power.

(c) A schedule of transactions effected in the last sixty days is attached hereto.

- (d) Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person: The investment advisory clients have the right to receive the dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of the securities in their respective accounts. To the best of Reporting Person's knowledge, other than the shares reported herein, no person has such interest relating to more than 5% of the outstanding class of securities.
- (e) Ownership of Less than Five Percent: Not applicable.
- Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer

By virtue of their investment advisory agreements with their clients, BCM and BAMCO have been given the discretion to dispose or direct the disposition of the securities in the advisory accounts. All such agreements are, however, revocable. The advisory agreements for the Baron Funds have been approved by their Board of Trustees. The agreements of the Baron Funds are filed as exhibit 99 to Form N1-A for Baron Asset Fund and are incorporated by reference herein. All the advisory agreements are pursuant to a standard form.

Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits Exhibit 99 - 60 days of trading.

Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: February 12, 1998

Baron Capital Group, Inc., BAMCO, Inc., Baron Capital Management, Inc. and Baron Assert Fund By:

/s/ Ronald Baron

Ronald Baron, President

Ronald Baron, Individually By:

/s/ Ronald Baron

Ronald Baron

	Acct		Exec.
Date	ID Tra	ans	Qty Price
		-	
12/10/97	bcm	buy	200 90.8750
12/10/97	bcm	buy	200 90.8750
12/15/97	baf	buy	1,000 90.9125
12/19/97	bamco		1,300 90.5192
12/22/97	baf	buy	1,000 90.0000
12/22/97	bamco	sell	500 89.7500
12/23/97	bamco	sell	1,500 90.0000
12/29/97	baf	buy	1,000 90.6250
01/01/98	bcp	sell	500 90.8155
01/02/98	baf	buy	1,000 89.6625
01/05/98	baf	buy	2,000 89.7469
01/06/98	baf	buy	1,000 89.7500
01/07/98	baf	buy	1,000 88.5000
01/08/98	baf	buy	1,000 88.5000
01/12/98	baf	buy	1,000 87.9250
01/13/98	baf	buy	1,000 87.1250
01/14/98	baf	buy	2,000 86.2563
01/15/98	baf	buy	1,000 86.5000
01/16/98	baf	buy	1,000 86.9375
01/20/98	baf	buy	2,000 86.4813
01/21/98	baf	buy	1,000 87.0000
01/22/98	baf	buy	1,500 86.9334
01/23/98	baf	buy	1,500 88.2334
01/26/98	baf	buy	2,000 89.3563
01/27/98	baf	buy	1,000 90.4750
02/05/98	baf	buy	1,000 90.2500