# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

## SKECHERS U.S.A., INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) 95-4376145 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

228 Manhattan Beach Boulevard Manhattan Beach, California (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

90266 (Zip Code)

SKECHERS U.S.A., INC. 2017 INCENTIVE AWARD PLAN SKECHERS U.S.A., INC. 2018 EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN (Full Titles of the Plans)

Robert Greenberg
Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer
Skechers U.S.A., Inc.
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definition of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. Check one:

Large accelerated filer 🗵	Accelerated filer	Ш
Non-accelerated filer	Smaller reporting company	
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Secur		ıg

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of securities to be registered	Amount to be registered (1)	Proposed maximum offering price per share (2)	Proposed maximum aggregate offering price (2)	Amount of registration fee
Class A Common Stock, \$.001 par value, to be issued under				
2017 Incentive Award Plan	10,000,000	\$23.38	\$233,800,000	\$27,097.42
Class A Common Stock, \$.001 par value, to be issued under the 2018 Employee Stock Purchase Plan	5,000,000	\$23.38	\$116,900,000	\$13,548.71

15,000,000

\$350,700,000

\$40,646.13

Total

<sup>(1)</sup> Pursuant to Rule 416(a) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), this Registration Statement shall also cover any additional shares of Class A Common Stock which become issuable under the plans covered by this Registration Statement by reason of any stock dividend, stock split, recapitalization or other similar transaction effected without the receipt of consideration which results in an increase in the number of outstanding shares of the Registrant's Class A Common Stock.

<sup>(2)</sup> Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the amount of the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(c) and (h) under the Securities Act. The offering price is based upon the average of the high and low prices of the Class A Common Stock as reported on the New York Stock Exchange on May 23, 2017 as reported on the New York Stock Exchange.

#### PART I

#### INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS

The document(s) containing the information specified in Part I of this registration statement will be separately provided to the Registrant's employees, officers, directors and consultants as specified by Rule 428(b)(1) of the Securities Act. Such documents are not being filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") either as part of this registration statement or as prospectuses or prospectus supplements pursuant to Rule 424 of the Securities Act. Such documents and the documents incorporated by reference in this registration statement pursuant to Item 3 of Part II hereof, taken together, constitute a prospectus that meets the requirements of Section 10(a) of the Securities Act.

#### **PART II**

#### INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

#### Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The following documents, which have been filed by Skechers U.S.A., Inc. (the "Registrant") with the SEC pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), are hereby incorporated by reference in this registration statement:

- (a) The Registrant's annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016 filed with the SEC on March 1, 2017, including information specifically incorporated by reference therein from our definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A filed with the SEC on May 1, 2017;
- (b) The Registrant's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2017 filed with the SEC on May 5, 2017;
- (c) The Registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 24, 2017, only to the extent filed and not furnished; and
- (d) The description of the Class A Common Stock contained in Registrant's registration statement on Form 8-A filed with the SEC on August 20, 1998, as amended by its Form 8-A/A filed with the SEC on May 3, 1999, including any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

All documents subsequently filed by the Registrant pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities registered have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this registration statement and to be part hereof from the date of filing of such documents, except as to any portion of any future statement, report or document that is not deemed filed under such provisions. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be a part of this registration statement from the date of filing of such document with the SEC until the information contained therein is superseded or updated by any subsequently filed document that is incorporated by reference herein. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this registration statement. Under no circumstances will any information filed under Items 2.02 or 7.01 of Form 8-K be deemed incorporated herein by reference unless such Form 8-K expressly provides to the contrary.

#### Item 4. Description of Securities.

Not applicable.

#### Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

Not applicable.

#### Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Under Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, a corporation has the power to indemnify its directors and officers under certain prescribed circumstances and, subject to certain limitations, against certain costs and expenses, including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement, actually and reasonably incurred in connection with any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether criminal, civil, administrative or investigative, to which any of them is a party by reason of his being a director or officer of the corporation if it is determined that he acted in accordance with

the applicable standard of conduct set forth in such statutory provision. Article VIII of the Registrant's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Article VII of the Registrant's Bylaws, as amended, provide for indemnification of the Registrant's directors, officers, employees, and other agents to the extent and under the circumstances permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law, subject to the authorization of the board of directors in the case of employees and agents. The Registrant has also entered into agreements with its directors and executive officers that will require the Registrant, among other things, to indemnify them against certain liabilities that may arise by reason of their status or service as directors to the fullest extent not prohibited by law to the extent such costs or expenses are not covered by existing directors and officers insurance. The Registrant carries director and officer liability insurance covering its directors and officers against liability asserted against or incurred by the person arising out of his or her capacity as a director or officer, including any liability for violations of the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, subject to some exclusions and coverage limitations.

#### Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not applicable.

#### Item 8. Exhibits.

Exhibit Number	Description of Exhibit
5.1	Opinion of Latham & Watkins LLP.
23.1	Consent of BDO USA, LLP.
23.2	Consent of Latham & Watkins LLP (contained in Exhibit 5.1).
24.1	Power of Attorney (included on signature page hereto).
99.1	Skechers U.S.A., Inc. 2017 Incentive Award Plan (1)
99.2	Skechers U.S.A., Inc. 2018 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (2)

- (1) Incorporated by reference to Appendix A of the Registrant's definitive proxy statement filed on May 1, 2017.
- (2) Incorporated by reference to Appendix B of the Registrant's definitive proxy statement filed on May 1, 2017.

#### Item 9. Undertakings.

- (a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:
  - (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
    - (i) To include any prospectus required by section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;
- (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the SEC pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement;
- (iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement.

*Provided, however,* that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed or furnished by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in this registration statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (b) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (h) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the SEC such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Manhattan Beach, State of California, on May 31, 2017.

SKECHERS U.S.A., INC.

By: /s/ ROBERT GREENBERG

Robert Greenberg Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Robert Greenberg, Michael Greenberg and David Weinberg, and each of them, as his true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution for him in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this registration statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in connection therewith, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or any of them, or his or their substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	<u>Title</u>	<b>Date</b>
/s/ Robert Greenberg Robert Greenberg	Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	May 31, 2017
/s/ Michael Greenberg Michael Greenberg	President and Director	May 31, 2017
/s/ David Weinberg David Weinberg	Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer Chief Financial Officer and Director (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	May 31, 2017
/s/ Jeffrey Greenberg Jeffrey Greenberg	Director	May 31, 2017
/s/ Geyer Kosinski Geyer Kosinski	Director	May 31, 2017
/s/ Morton D. Erlich Morton D. Erlich	Director	May 31, 2017
/s/ Richard Siskind Richard Siskind	Director	May 31, 2017
/s/ Thomas Walsh Thomas Walsh	Director	May 31, 2017
/s/ Rick Rappaport Rick Rappaport	Director	May 31, 2017

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May 31, 2017

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Re: Registration Statement on Form S-8: 15,000,000 shares of Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as special counsel to Skechers U.S.A., Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the registration by the Company of 15,000,000 shares of Class A common stock of the Company, par value \$0.001 per share (the "Shares"), issuable under the Company's 2017 Incentive Award Plan and 2018 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (together, the "Plans"). The Shares are included in a registration statement on Form S-8 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"), filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") on May 31, 2017 (the "Registration Statement"). This opinion is being furnished in connection with the requirements of Item 601(b)(5) of Regulation S-K under the Act, and no opinion is expressed herein as to any matter pertaining to the contents of the Registration Statement or the related prospectus forming a part thereof, other than as expressly stated herein with respect to the issue of the Shares.

As such counsel, we have examined such matters of fact and questions of law as we have considered appropriate for purposes of this letter. With your consent, we have relied upon certificates and other assurances of officers of the Company and others as to factual matters without having independently verified such factual matters. We are opining herein as to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "DGCL"), and we express no opinion with respect to any other laws.

Subject to the foregoing and the other matters set forth herein, it is our opinion that, as of the date hereof, when the Shares shall have been duly registered on the books of the transfer agent and registrar therefor in the name or on behalf of the purchasers, and have been issued by the Company for legal consideration in the circumstances contemplated by the Plans, assuming

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in each case that the individual issuances, grants or awards under the Plans are duly authorized by all necessary corporate action of the Company and duly issued, granted or awarded and exercised in accordance with the requirements of law and the Plans (and the agreements and awards duly adopted thereunder and in accordance therewith), the issuance and sale of the Shares will have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action of the Company and the Shares will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable. In rendering the foregoing opinion, we have assumed that the Company will comply with all applicable notice requirements regarding uncertificated shares provided in the DGCL.

This opinion is for your benefit in connection with the Registration Statement and may be relied upon by you and by persons entitled to rely upon it pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Act. We consent to your filing this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. In giving such consent, we do not thereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Latham & Watkins LLP

### Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Skechers U.S.A., Inc. Manhattan Beach, California

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in the Prospectus constituting a part of this Registration Statement of our reports dated March 1, 2017, relating to the consolidated financial statements, the effectiveness of Skechers U.S.A., Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting, and schedule of Skechers U.S.A., Inc. appearing in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016.

/s/ BDO USA, LLP Los Angeles, California

May 31, 2017