AS FILED WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION ON MAY 1, 1996. **REGISTRATION NO. 333-**-----SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 FORM S-3 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 -----PAPA JOHN'S INTERNATIONAL, INC. (EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER) DELAWARE 61-1203323 (STATE OR OTHER (I.R.S. EMPLOYER JURISDICTION OF **IDENTIFICATION NO.**) INCORPORATION OR ORGANIZATION) 11492 BLUEGRASS PARKWAY, SUITE 175 LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY 40299-2334 (502) 266-5200 (ADDRESS, INCLUDING ZIP CODE, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE, OF REGISTRANT'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES) -----CHARLES W. SCHNATTER, ESQ. SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT, GENERAL COUNSEL AND SECRETARY PAPA JOHN'S INTERNATIONAL, INC. P.O. BOX 99900 LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY 40269-9990 (502) 266-5200 (NAME, ADDRESS, INCLUDING ZIP CODE, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE, OF AGENT FOR SERVICE) COPIES OF COMMUNICATIONS TO: IVAN M. DIAMOND, ESQ. IVAN M. DIAMOND, ESQ.DAN BUSBEE, ESQ.GREENEBAUM DOLL & MCDONALD PLLCLOCKE PURNELL RAIN HARRELL3300 NATIONAL CITY TOWER(A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION)LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY 40202-31972200 ROSS AVENUE, SUITE 2200(502) 589-4200DALLAS TEXAS 75201-6776 DAN BUSBEE, ESQ. (502) 589-4200 DALLAS, TEXAS 75201-6776 (214) 740-8000 APPROXIMATE DATE OF COMMENCEMENT OF PROPOSED SALE TO THE PUBLIC: As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Registration Statement. If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box. [\_] If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box. [\_] If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. [X] 333-02729 If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. [\_] If delivery of the prospectus is expected to be made pursuant to Rule 434, please check the following box: [\_] CALCULATION OF ADDITIONAL REGISTRATION FEE PROPOSED TITLE OF EACH CLASS OFAMOUNTPROPOSED MAXIMUMMAXIMUMAMOUNT OFSECURITIES TO BETO BEOFFERING PRICEAGGREGATEREGISTRATIONREGISTEREDREGISTERED (1)PER SHAREOFFERING PRICEFEE -----Common Stock, \$0.01 par value...... 161,000 Shares \$47.875 \$7,707,875 \$2,658 - - -----. . . . . . . . . . . . .

(1) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457.

# EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Registration is being filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The contents of the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Reg. No. 333-02729) filed by Papa John's International, Inc. with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 23, 1996, which was declared effective May 1, 1996, are incorporated herein by reference.

### SIGNATURES

PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, THE REGISTRANT CERTIFIES THAT IT HAS REASONABLE GROUNDS TO BELIEVE THAT IT MEETS ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS FOR FILING ON FORM S-3 AND HAS DULY CAUSED THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT TO BE SIGNED ON ITS BEHALF BY THE UNDERSIGNED, THEREUNTO DULY AUTHORIZED, IN THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY, ON THE 1ST DAY OF MAY, 1996.

Papa John's International, Inc.

/s/ Charles W. Schnatter

By: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Charles W. Schnatter Senior Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel

## POWER OF ATTORNEY

Each person whose signature appears below hereby constitutes and appoints John H. Schnatter, Charles W. Schnatter and E. Drucilla Milby, and each of them with full power to act without the others, as his or her true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution, to sign on his or her behalf, individually and in each capacity stated below, all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this Registration Statement on Form S-3 and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and any other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933, 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 and about the premises, as fully and to all intents and purposes as each might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming each act that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or any of them, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue thereof.

PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT HAS BEEN SIGNED BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS IN THE CAPACITIES AND ON THE DATE INDICATED.

SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE
/s/ John H. Schnatter		
John H. Schnatter	Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	May 1, 1996
/s/ Charles W. Schnatter		
Charles W. Schnatter	Senior Vice President, Secretary, General Counsel and Director	May 1, 1996
/s/ O. Wayne Gaunce		
0. Wayne Gaunce /s/ Jack A. Laughery	Director	May 1, 1996
Jack A. Laughery /s/ Michael W. Pierce	Director	May 1, 1996
Michael W. Pierce /s/ Richard F. Sherman	Director	May 1, 1996
Richard F. Sherman /s/ E. Drucilla Milby	Director	May 1, 1996
E. Drucilla Milby /s/ J. David Flanery	Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer (Principal Financial Officer)	May 1, 1996
J. David Flanery	Vice President and Corporate Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)	May 1, 1996

EXHIBIT

NUMBER DESCRIPTION ---------

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\* 1.1 Form of Underwriting Agreement

- 5.1 Opinion of Greenebaum Doll & McDonald PLLC
  23.1 Consent of Greenebaum Doll & McDonald PLLC (included
- 23.1 consent of orcenebular boll a in Exhibit 5.1)
  23.2 Consent of Ernst & Young LLP
  \*24.1 Powers of Attorney

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\*Incorporated by reference to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-3, as amended, Reg.No. 333-02729.

May 1, 1996

PAPA JOHN'S INTERNATIONAL, INC. 11492 Bluegrass Parkway, Suite 175 Louisville, Kentucky 40299

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as legal counsel in connection with the preparation of a Registration Statement on Form S-3 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended ("Registration Statement"), covering an aggregate of 161,000 shares of common stock, par value \$.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), of Papa John's International, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), of which 21,000 shares are subject to an over-allotment option granted to the Underwriters by the Company.

We have examined and are familiar with the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Restated By-Laws of the Company, and the various corporate records and proceedings relating to the organization of the Company and the proposed issuance of the Common Stock. We have also examined such other documents and proceedings as we have considered necessary for the purpose of this opinion.

Based on the foregoing, it is our opinion that the Common Stock has been duly authorized and, when issued and paid for in accordance with the terms of the Registration Statement, will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement, and with such state securities administrators as may require such opinion of counsel for the registration of the Common Stock, and to the reference to this firm under the heading "Legal Matters" in the Prospectus. In giving this consent, we do not thereby admit that we are within the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission thereunder.

Very truly yours,

GREENEBAUM DOLL & McDONALD PLLC

GD&M/llb

#### CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-3 (which incorporates by reference the contents of an earlier effective Registration Statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-02729)) of Papa John's International, Inc. for the registration of 161,000 shares of its common stock of our report dated February 27, 1996, with respect to the consolidated financial statements of Papa John's International, Inc. and subsidiaries incorporated by reference in its Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1995, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Louisville, Kentucky May 1, 1996