FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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	ess of Reporting Pe		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CARTERS INC</u> [CRI]	(Check	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
					Director	10% Owner		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	- x	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		
3438 PEACHT	TREE ROAD NE	5	02/16/2016	Chief Executive Officer				
SUITE 1800								
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv	/idual or Joint/Group Filir	ng (Check Applicable		
(Street)				Line)	····	5 (* · · ·))		
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,					Form filed by More that Person	an One Reporting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(11150. 4)
Common Stock	02/16/2016		Α		13,800(1)	Α	\$0 ⁽²⁾	421,530 ⁽³⁾	D	
Common Stock	02/16/2016		Α		27 , 560 ⁽⁴⁾	Α	\$0 ⁽²⁾	449,090 ⁽³⁾	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 1. Title of 3. Transaction 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount 9. Number of 11. Nature 3A. Deemed 8. Price of 10. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) of Securities Underlying Derivative Security Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date Derivative Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Derivative derivative Ownership of Indirect Security (Instr. 3) if any (Month/Day/Year) Form: Direct (D) or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) Securities Security Securitie Beneficial Price of Acquired (A) (Instr. 5) Beneficially Ownership Owned Following Derivative Security or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3 or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 4) Reported 4 and 5) Transact (Instr. 4) nsaction(s) Amount Number Date Expiration of Code v (A) (D) Exercisable Date Title Shares Employee Stock Common 02/16/2016 44,500⁽⁵⁾ 44,500 Option \$90.66 A 02/16/2017 02/16/2026 \$<mark>0</mark> 44,500 D Stock (Right to Purchase)

Explanation of Responses:

1. These restricted shares are subject to restrictions that lapse in four equal annual installments beginning one year from the grant date.

2. Granted at no cost to the reporting person.

3. Some of these shares are restricted shares that are subject to either time-vesting or performance-based restrictions.

4. These restricted shares cliff vest based upon the achievement of certain 2018 earnings targets.

5. These time-vesting options are exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning one year from the grant date.

Remarks:

Michael C. Wu, Attorney-in-Fact for Michael Dennis Casey

02/18/2016

** Signature of Reporting Person D

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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

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