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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Wilson Jill			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CARTERS INC</u> [CRI]		tionship of Reporting Pers all applicable) Director Officer (give title	son(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify
3438 PEACHTREE ROAD NE SUITE 1800 (Street) ATLANTA GA 30		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/02/2017		below) SVP HR and Talent	below)
		30326 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indi Line) X	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

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)	3. Transa Code (8)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
	Code V Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)					
Common Stock	05/02/2017		S		2,513(1)	D	\$92.1 ⁽²⁾	19,602 ⁽³⁾	D			
Common Stock	05/02/2017		G		824	A	\$0	18,778 ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	D			
Common Stock	05/02/2017		М		1,775(1)	Α	\$28.44	20,553 ⁽³⁾	D			
Common Stock	05/02/2017		S		1,775(1)	D	\$92.1062(5)	18,778 ⁽³⁾	D			

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)		
Option (right to buy)	\$28.44	05/02/2017		м			1,775 ⁽¹⁾	02/24/2012 ⁽⁶⁾	02/24/2021	Common Stock	1,775	\$0	2,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The transaction reported in this Form 4 was effectuated pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan.

2. This is a weighted average price. The shares were sold in multiple trade executions at prices ranging from \$92.05 to \$92.17, inclusive. Upon request by the Commission staff, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, the Reporting Person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

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

4. The transaction reported involved a gift by the reporting person of shares of common stock to a charitable donor advised fund.

5. This is a weighted average price. The shares were sold in multiple trade executions at prices ranging from \$92.05 to \$92.16, inclusive. Upon request by the Commission staff, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, the Reporting Person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

6. These options are all exercisable.

Remarks:

/s/Michael C. Wu, Attorney-in-05/04/2017 Fact

** Signature of Reporting Person 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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