FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Gibbons Brendan M.						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CARTERS INC [CRI]										all app Direc	licable) tor		Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1170 PEACHTREE STREET SUITE 900						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/12/2012										below			,	
(Street) ATLANTA GA 30309 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
		Tabl	e I - Nor	n-Deriv	ative	Se	curiti	es Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or	Ben	efici	ally C	Owne	ed .			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						Execution			Code	Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ties Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3,		(A) or 3, 4 a	4 and Sec		cially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
							v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	, l	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(1130.4)				
Common Stock 03/12/						2/2012					530		D	D \$48.		3.6 23,411 ⁽²⁾		D		
		Та	ble II - D								sed of, onvertib				y Ow	ned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	titive Conversion Date Execution or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			Date, Transaction					Expiration	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		8. Pri Deriv Secui (Instr	ative rity	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	
		Code		v			Date Exercisa	Date E Exercisable D		or Number of Title Shares										

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The transaction reported in this Form 4 reflects withholding of shares of common stock to satisfy tax withholding obligations resulting from the vesting of restricted stock.
- 2. Some of these shares are restricted shares that are subject to either time-vesting or performance-based restrictions.

Remarks:

/s/Brendan M. Gibbons 03/14/2012

** 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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