FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Wilson Jill						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol CARTERS INC [ CRI ]									Check	all app Dired	olicable)		ssuer  Owner (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1170 PEACHTREE STREET SUITE 900						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/16/2012									X	belov	SVP Human Resources		
(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				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						Execution Da		Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)				4 and Se Be Ov		ount of ities icially d Following ted	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		Transa	action(s) 3 and 4)		(11301.4)
Common Stock 02/16/											233(1)		D \$43		3.72 11,898 <sup>(2)</sup>		1,898(2)	D	
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	rivative Conversion Date Execution or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			Date, Transaction Code (Instr.		1 of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		ount		vative durity S r. 5) E C F	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	Code V		(A) (D)		Date Exercisable		Number of 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.
- $2.\ Some\ of\ these\ shares\ are\ subject\ to\ time-vesting\ restrictions.$

## Remarks:

/s/Brendan M. Gibbons,

Attorney-in-Fact for Jill

Wilson

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

02/21/2012

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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