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# 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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| 1. Name and Addre<br><u>Wilson Jill</u> | ss of Reporting Perso  | n*                         | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>CARTERS INC</u> [ CRI ] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br>Director 10% Owner<br>Officer (give title Other (specify  |
|---|------------------------|----------------------------|--|---|
| (Last)<br>3438 PEACHTH<br>SUITE 1800    | (First)<br>REE ROAD NE | (Middle)<br>30326<br>(Zip) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>11/08/2018                   | X below) below)<br>SVP HR and Talent Development  |
| (Street)<br>ATLANTA<br>(City)           | GA<br>(State)          |                            | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                         | <ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</li> <li>X Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> <li>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</li> </ul> |

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Transaction<br>Code (Instr. |   |        |               |                   | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following<br>Reported | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--|---|-----------------------------|---|--------|---------------|-------------------|---|---|---|
|                                 |  |   |                             | v | Amount | (A) or<br>(D) | Price             | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)  |   |   |
| Common Stock                    | 11/08/2018                                 |   | G                           |   | 773(1) | D             | \$ <mark>0</mark> | 15,459 <sup>(2)</sup>   | D   |   |

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

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   | ion of<br>str. Derivat<br>Securit<br>Acquire<br>(A) or<br>Dispos<br>of (D) |     | Derivative (Month/Day/Year)<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 |                    | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr. 3<br>and 4) |  | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|--|-----|---|--------------------|---|--|---|--|--|--|
|   |   |  |   | Code                         | v | (A)  | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable   | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |   |  |  |  |

**Explanation of Responses:** 

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

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

**Remarks:** 

# /s/Michael C. Wu, Attorney-in-11/09/2018

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Fact

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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