FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	OF CHANGES	S IN BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* PAYNE MELVIN C			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CARRIAGE SERVICES INC [CSV]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner							
					3 D	Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)									Officer (below)	give title	10% Owner Other (specify below)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 3040 POST OAK BLVD SUITE 300				09/30/2019 CEO															
(Street) HOUSTON TX 77056			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						
(City)	(Sta	ite) (2	Zip)												Form filed by More than One Reportir Person				ting
		Tab	le I - Noi	า-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	es Ac	quired,	Dis	posed	of, or Be	nefic	cially	Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)		Date	ansaction nth/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date,		Code	Transaction D Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			5. Amour Securities Beneficia Owned For	ırities eficially ed Following		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	r Pri	ice	Transacti (Instr. 3 a	on(s)			,
Common Stock		09/30	0/2019				G		500	D	\$	20.44	1,277,304		D				
Common Stock													11,446			I	Melvin C. Payne, Jr. 2016 Annuity Trust		
Common Stock													11,446			I	Karen P. Payne 2016 Annuity Trust		
Common Stock											17,072			I	Spouse				
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1. Title of Derivative Security 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) 3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day/		ed Date,	4. Transactio Code (Inst 8)		5. Number 6		6. Date Exercis Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		able and	7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		unt	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title	Amor or Numl of Sh	ber					
Performance Award	(1)								(1)	1	12/31/2023	Common Stock	100,	,000		100,00	00	D	
Stock Options	\$25.43								(2)	C)2/14/2028	Common Stock	50,0	000		50,00	00	D	
Stock Options	\$26.54								(3)	C	03/21/2027	Common Stock	116,	100		116,10	00	D	
Stock Options	\$20.06								(4)	0	02/23/2026	Common Stock	58,5	500		58,50	00	D	
Stock Options	\$22.58								(5)	C)2/24/2022	Common Stock	100,	,000		100,00	00	D	
Stock Options	\$5.7								(6)	0)2/28/2021	Common Stock	3,2	84		3,284	4	D	

Explanation of Responses:

will vest on 2/23/2020 and 2/23/2021. These stock options expire on 2/23/2026.

- 1. Represents performance awards, payable in shares, granted under the Carriage Services, Inc. 2017 Omnibus Incentive Plan. The award will vest (if at all) on December 31, 2023 provided that certain criteria surrounding share price performance is achieved and the Reporting Person has remained continuously employed by Carriage through such date.
- 2. Stock Options granted pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. 2017 Omnibus Plan which 1/5 vested on 2/14/2019 and 1/5 will vest on 2/14/2020, 2/14/2021, 2/14/2022 and 2/14/2023. The options expire on 2/14/2028.
- 3. Stock Options granted pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan which vested 1/5 on 3/21/2018, 1/5 vested on 3/21/2019 and 1/5 will vest each year and 1/2010 and
- on 3/21/2020, 3/21/2021 and 3/21/2022. These stock options expire on 3/21/2027.

 4. Stock Options granted pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan which 1/5 vested on 2/23/2017, 1/5 on 2/23/2018, 1/5 vested on 2/23/2019 and 1/5
- 5. Stock Options granted pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan which vested 1/3 on 2/24/2016, 1/3 on 2/24/2017 and 1/3 on 2/24/2018. These stock options expire on 2/24/2022.

6. Stock Options granted pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan of 44,702 options granted on 02/28/2011, of which 14,900 options vested on 02/28/2012 and 3,283 were exercised on 12/20/2012, 14,901 options vested on 02/28/2013 and 14,000 were exercised on 11/06/2015 and 24,135 options were exercised on 03/29/2016. These stock options expire on 02/28/2021.

Remarks:

/s/ Melvin C. Payne

09/30/2019

** 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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