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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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			or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940						
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] <u>PAYNE MELVIN C</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CARRIAGE SERVICES INC</u> [CSV]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
			[====[====[====[X	Director	10% Owner			
(Last) (First)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	— x	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
3040 POST OAK BLVD			06/13/2011		CEO				
SUITE 300									
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	/idual or Joint/Group Fili	ng (Check Applicable			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)							

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)			4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)
Common Stock	06/13/2011		S		4,900 ⁽¹⁾	D	\$5.4888	1,601,385	D	
Common Stock								4,818	Ι	Spouse
Common Stock								10,800	Ι	Minor Daughter

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)	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)		5. Number of Expiration Date Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		7. Title Amouri Securi Underl Deriva Securi and 4)	nt of ties lying tive ty (Instr. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	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					

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares sold under a stock trading plan in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Remarks:

/s/ Melvin C. Payne

06/13/2011 Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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