## 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 Address of Reporting Person* <u>PAYNE MELVIN C</u>		erson*	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol CARRIAGE SERVICES INC [ CSV ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
				X Director 10% Owner					
	(=1)			X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 3040 POST OAK BLVD SUITE 300		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/29/2018	CEO					
(Street)	тх	77056	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
HOUSTON (City)	(State)	(Zip)		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. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr.					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock								1,337,816	D	
Common Stock								17,857	I	Melvin C. Payne, Jr. 2016 Annuity Trust
Common Stock								17,857	I	Karen P. Payne 2016 Annuity Trust
Common Stock								10,661	Ι	Spouse

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

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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)		on of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		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				
Performance Award	(1)	11/29/2018		D			26,600	(1)	12/31/2022	Common Stock	26,600	\$ <b>0</b>	0	D	
Performance Award	(1)	11/29/2018		D			26,380	(1)	12/31/2021	Common Stock	26,380	\$ <mark>0</mark>	0	D	
Performance Award	(1)	11/29/2018		D			17,900	(1)	12/31/2020	Common Stock	17,900	\$0	0	D	
Stock Options	\$25.43							(2)	02/14/2028	Common Stock	50,000		50,000	D	
Stock Options	\$26.54							(3)	03/21/2027	Common Stock	116,100		116,100	D	
Stock Options	\$20.06							(4)	02/23/2026	Common Stock	58,500		58,500	D	
Stock Options	\$22.58							(5)	02/24/2022	Common Stock	100,000		100,000	D	
Stock Options	\$20.49							(6)	03/03/2019	Common Stock	100,000		100,000	D	
Stock Options	\$5.7							(7)	02/28/2021	Common Stock	3,284		3,284	D	

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. The Performance Award was canceled by mutual agreement of the reporting person and the Issuer. No consideration was given for the cancellation of these shares.

2. Stock Options granted pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. 2017 Omnibus Plan which will vest 1/5 on 2/14/2019, 2/14/2020, 2/14/2021, 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 and 1/5 will vest each year on 3/21/2019, 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 and 1/5 will vest on 2/23/2019,

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

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 which vested 1/3 on 3/3/2015, 1/3 on 3/3/2016 and 1/3 on 3/3/2017. These stock options expire on 3/3/2019.

7. 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

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

<u>12/03/2018</u> Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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