

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Olaniyan Adeola</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 3040 POST OAK BLVD. SUITE 300 (Street) HOUSTON TX 77056 (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 01/23/2017 | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CARRIAGE SERVICES INC [CSV]</u> 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director _____ 10% Owner _____ Officer (give title below) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <u>Principal Accounting Officer</u> | 5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 3,064 | D | |

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
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| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | |
| Stock Options | (1) | 02/25/2019 | Common Stock | 3,000 | 20.26 | D |
| Stock Options | (2) | 02/23/2026 | Common Stock | 3,900 | 20.06 | D |
| Performance Award | (3) | 12/31/2020 | Common Stock | 1,200 | (3) | D |

Explanation of Responses:

- Stock Option grant pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan of 9,000 options on 02/25/2014, of which 3000 vested on 2/25/2015 and were exercised on 11/14/2016, 3000 vested on 2/25/2016 and were exercised on 11/14/2016 and 3000 will vest on 2/25/2017. These stock options expire on 02/25/2019.
- Stock Options granted pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan which will vest 1/5 each year on 2/23/2017, 2/23/2018, 2/23/2019, 2/23/2020 and 2/23/2021. These stock options expire on 2/23/2026.
- Represents performance-based awards, payable in shares, granted under the Carriage Services, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The award will vest (if at all) on December 31, 2020 provided that certain criteria surrounding Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA (Adjusted Earnings Before Interest Tax Depreciation and Amortization) and Relative Shareholder Return performance is achieved and the Reporting Person has remained continuously employed by Carriage through such date. The Relative Shareholder Return performance represents 75% of the award and the Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA performance represents 25% of the award.

Remarks:
/s/ Adeola Olaniyan
02/02/2017

** 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 5 (b)(v).

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