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FORM 4

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Elliott Paul Donald						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CARRIAGE SERVICES INC [CSV]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 5219 LAURELWOOD							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/22/2013								Officer (give title X Other (specify below) Regional Partner				
(Street) KINGWOOD TX 77345 (City) (State) (Zip)					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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
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Stock Options	\$16.73	05/22/2013			A		30,000		(1)		05/22/2018	Common Stock	30,000	\$0	30,000)	D		
Performance	\$9 ⁽³⁾								(2)		08/31/2017	Common	50,000		50,000)	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Stock Options granted pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan which vest 1/3 on 05/22/2014, 1/3 on 05/22/2015 and 1/3 on 05/22/2016. These stock options expire on 05/22/2018.
- 2. Represents performance-based stock awards granted under the Carriage Services, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The award will vest (if at all) on or before August 31, 2017 on the date on which the closing price of Carriage's Common Stock is greater than or equal to \$21.50 for the third time, whether or not consecutive, within a period of 30 consecutive calendar days. If these conditions are satisfied on or prior to the first anniversary of the grant date, which is August 31, 2013, then the vesting date of these awards will be August 31, 2013; provided that the Reporting Person has remained continuously employed by Carriage through such date.
- 3. The award represents the right of the Reporting Person to receive shares of Carriage Services, Inc. Common Stock in exchange for payment of a purchase price equal to \$9.00 per share.

Remarks:

<u>/s/ Paul D. Elliott</u> <u>05/24/2013</u>

** 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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