FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT	OF CHANGES II	N 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 (Check all application)									′				
,		<u>.,</u>													X	Offic	ctor er (give title		Owner (specify
(Last) 3040 POS SUITE 30	(Fi ST OAK BI	,	Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/05/2013									X	belov	v) ``	belov	
(Street) HOUSTON TX 77056					4. If										Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(St	ate) (.	Zip)													1 013	OII		
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)				Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4				l and 5) Secur Bene Owne		cially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D) Pr		Pric	e	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 03/05/2				/2013	013		F		13,537 ⁽¹⁾ D		\$1	3.91	1,384,293		D				
Common Stock																:	3,518	I	Spouse
Common Stock															7	70,000	I	Minor Daughter	
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
Derivative Security (Instr. 3) Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transa Code (8)		5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	rities ired r osed) : 3, 4	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Exercisable Date		Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		nstr. 3 nount mber	nt er		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents shares withheld on March 5, 2013 to cover taxes associated with the vesting of shares of restricted stock granted on March 5, 2012.

Remarks:

/s/ Melvin C. Payne

03/07/2013

** 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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