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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Metzger Steven D</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 3040 POST OAK BLVD. SUITE 300 (Street) HOUSTON TX 77056 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CARRIAGE SERVICES INC [csv]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>EVP & General Counsel</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/21/2024</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	

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)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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			
Common Stock	02/21/2024		A		21,450 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$24.48	44,363	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2024		S		1,388 ⁽²⁾	D	\$25.58	42,975	D	

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		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
Stock Options	\$24.48	02/21/2024		A		50,760		(3)	02/21/2034	Common Stock	50,760	(3)	50,760	D	
Stock Options	\$32.69							(4)	02/22/2033	Common Stock	26,250		26,250	D	
Stock Options	\$49.48							(5)	02/23/2032	Common Stock	40,000		40,000	D	
Performance Award	(6)							(6)	12/31/2024	Common Stock	77,580		77,580	D	
Stock Options	\$34.79							(7)	02/17/2031	Common Stock	50,000		50,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Restricted Stock grant pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. 2017 Omnibus Incentive Plan which will vest in equal increments each year over three years beginning 2/21/2025.
- Represents shares withheld on February 22, 2024 to cover taxes associated with the vesting of shares of restricted stock granted on February 22, 2023.
- Stock Options granted on 2/21/2024 pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. 2017 Omnibus Incentive Plan which will vest in equal increments each year over three years beginning 2/21/2025.
- Stock Options granted on 2/22/2023 pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. 2017 Omnibus Incentive Plan which will vest in equal increments each year over three years beginning 2/22/2024.
- Stock Options granted on 2/23/2022 pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. 2017 Omnibus Incentive Plan which will vest in equal increments each year over seven years beginning 2/23/2023.
- Represents maximum number of performance awards, payable in shares on December 31, 2024 granted under the Carriage Services, Inc. 2017 Omnibus Incentive Plan. The award will vest (if at all) on December 31, 2024 provided that the Company's common stock reaches one of five pre-determined targets for a sustained period beginning on the grant date and ending on December 31, 2024.
- Stock Options granted on 2/17/2021 pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. 2017 Omnibus Incentive Plan which will vest in equal increments each year over five years beginning 2/17/2022.

Remarks:

/s/ Steven D Metzger 02/23/2024
 ** 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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