CARRIAGE SERVICES INC

Form 4

February 25, 2016

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Brink Carl Benjamin			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
. .			CARRIAGE SERVICES INC [CSV]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
28634 PLEASANT FOREST			02/23/2016	_X_ Officer (give title Other (special below)			
DRIVE				Principal Financial Officer			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
KATY, TX 7	7494			Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
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(City)	(State)	(Zıp)	Table I - Non	-Derivative Securities	s Acquired, Disposed	Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
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1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onAcquired (A) or	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Disposed of (D)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
					Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
				(4)	Reported		
				(A)	Transaction(s)		
			Code V	or Amount (D) Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
C			Code v	Allioulit (D) File	5		
Common					4.700	D	

4,799 D Stock

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

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and L Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shar
Stock Options	\$ 20.44	02/23/2016		A	10,000	<u>(1)</u>	02/23/2026	Common Stock	10,00
Performance Award	(2)	02/23/2016		A	3,100	(2)	12/31/2020	Common Stock	3,100
Stock Options	\$ 22.58					(3)	02/24/2022	Common Stock	22,00
Stock Options	\$ 20.26					<u>(4)</u>	02/25/2019	Common Stock	12,00
Stock Options	\$ 16.73					(5)	05/22/2018	Common Stock	10,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Brink Carl Benjamin 28634 PLEASANT FOREST DRIVE KATY, TX 77494

Principal Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Carl B. Brink 02/25/2016

**Signature of Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) 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.

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Stock Option grant pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan which vested 1/3 on 2/24/2016, 1/3 will vest on 2/24/2017 and 1/3 on 2/24/2018. These stock options expire on 02/24/2022.

- Stock Option Grant pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan of 18,000 options (4) granted on 02/25/2014, of which 6,000 options vested on 2/25/2015 and were exercised on 3/26/2015, 6,000 options vested on 2/25/2016 and 6,000 options will vest on 2/25/2017. These options expire on 02/25/2019.
- Stock Option Grant pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan of 15,000 options on 5/22/2013, of which 5,000 options vested on 5/22/2014 and were exercised on 3/26/2015, 5,000 vested on 5/22/2015 and 5,000 options will vest on 5/22/2016. The options expire on 5/22/2018.

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