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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *Lynch Brian			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CARTERS INC [CRI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Sheek an approach)			
1170 PEACHTREE STREET, SUITE 900			(Month/Day/Year) 02/24/2012	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP Brand Leader			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
ATLANTA, GA 30309			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			

(City)	(State) (Table Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties A	cquired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on(A) or D	ispose	d of (D)	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/24/2012		F(1)	2,228	D	\$ 43.61	51,845 (2)	D	

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transaction	5.	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title Amoun		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	ise	•	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			Underly Securit	, ,	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title I	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Lynch Brian 1170 PEACHTREE STREET SUITE 900 ATLANTA, GA 30309

EVP Brand Leader

Signatures

/s/Brendan M. Gibbons, Attorney-in-Fact for Brian Lynch

02/24/2012

**Signature of Reporting 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) The transaction reported in this Form 4 reflects withholding of shares of common stock to satisfy tax withholding obligations resulting from the vesting of restricted stock.
- (2) Some of these shares are restricted shares that are subject to either time-vesting or performance-based restrictions.

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