KROGER CO Form 4

# **FORM 4**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DONNELLY MICHAEL JOSEPH			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	KROGER CO [KR]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(FIISt)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
THE KROGER STREET	CO., 1014	VINE	12/14/2015	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)  Executive Vice President		
	(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		
CINCINNATI,	OH 45202			Form filed by More than One Reporting		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tak	ole I - Non	-Derivative Securities Acqui	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) our Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
0			Code V	(A) or Amount (D) Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	

		Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	
Common Stock	12/14/2015	S		10,750	D	\$ 41.8015 (1)	212,010.251 (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. Transactio	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title at Amount of		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(monda, Day, Teal)	(Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/		Underlyin Securities (Instr. 3 a	ng s	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
r	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
DONNELLY MICHAEL JOSEPH THE KROGER CO. 1014 VINE STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202			Executive Vice President				

### **Signatures**

/s/ Michael J. Donnelly, by Stacey M. Heiser, Attorney-in-Fact

\*\*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).
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$41.800 to \$41.805, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to The Kroger Co., any security holder of The Kroger Co., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth above.
- (2) The total amount of securities directly owned by the reporting person includes shares in the Company's employee benefit plans that are deemed to be 'tax-conditioned plans' pursuant to Rule 16b-3, to the extent disclosed on reports received from plan trustees.

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