## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person CHILDRENS PLACE RETAIL STORES **CROVITZ CHARLES K** Director 10% Owner **INC** [ PLCE ] Officer (give title Other (specify X below) below) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Dav/Year) Interim Chief Executive Office C/O THE CHILDREN'S PLACE RETAIL STORES 10/02/2008 915 SECAUCUS ROAD 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) (Street) Form filed by One Reporting Person 07094 **SECAUCUS** NJ Form filed by More than One Reporting (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction 2A. Deemed 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature Execution Date, Transaction Securities Form: Direct of Indirect if any (Month/Day/Year) Code (Instr. 8) (Month/Day/Year Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Owned Following (I) (Instr. 4) Ownership Reported (Instr. 4) (A) or (D) Transaction(s) Code Amount Price (Instr. 3 and 4) Common Stock, par value \$0.10 per share 10/02/2008(1) \$34.13 29,536 D F 373 D Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 1. Title of 6. Date Exercisable and 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed 5. Number 7. Title and 8. Price of 9. Number of 10. 11. Nature Derivative Conversion Transaction Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Ownership of Indirect **Execution Date** (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Security (Instr. 3) Securities Securities or Exercise if anv Code (Instr. Security Form: Beneficial Price of Derivative (Month/Day/Year) 8) Securities Underlying Derivative (Instr. 5) Beneficially Direct (D) Ownership Acquired Owned or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) (A) or Disposed Security Security (Instr. 3 Following and 4) Reported

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Shares delivered to the company to pay tax liabilities incident to the vesting of restricted stock on October 1, 2008.

/s/ Lenwood Ross, as Attorney-In-Fact for Charles K. Crovitz

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 4)

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Amount Number

Shares

Expiration

Title

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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of (D)

and 5)

(A)

(Instr. 3, 4

(D)

Exercisable