FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

OMB APPROVAL									

OMB Number: 3235-0287 Estimated average burden hours per response: 0.5

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Name and Address of Reporting Person* COST BRADLEY P					<u>CI</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHILDRENS PLACE RETAIL STORES INC [PLCE]								(Checl	all app Dire	olicable)		Ssuer Owner (specify
	(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O THE CHILDREN'S PLACE RETAIL STORES, INC. 500 PLAZA DRIVE				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/16/2012							X	belo			1)		
(Street) SECAUC			7094 Zip)		_ 4. If	Ame	endment,	, Date o	of Origina	al File	d (Month/Da	ay/Year)		6. Indi Line) X	Forn	n filed by One	Filing (Check A	son
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day					Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)					Secur Benef	ties F cially (I d Following (I	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D) Pric		ce	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(111341. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$0.10 per share 04/16/2				2012	012		S ⁽¹⁾		656 D		\$4	8.22(2)	8,293		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)	erivative Conversion Date ecurity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		4. Transa Code (8)		nstr. Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) ((Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Date Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		Deri Sec (Ins	rice of vative urity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on August 29, 2011. The shares were sold to pay tax liabilities incident to the vesting of deferred stock on April 15, 2012.
- 2. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$48.19 to \$48.24 inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to The Children's Place Retail Stores, Inc. (the "Company"), any security holder of the Company, 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 ranges set forth in this footnote.

/s/ James E. Myers, as Attorney-In-Fact for Bradley P. 04/18/2012 Cost

** 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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB Number.