FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>ALUTTO JOSEPH A</u> | | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHILDRENS PLACE RETAIL STORES INC [PLCE] | | | | | | | | | all app | olicable) ctor | | Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify | |
|--|--|------|---|--|--------------------------------------|--|---|---------------------------------|---|----|---|---|--|---|--|---|--|---|--|---|
| | (Fii CHILDRE PLAZA D | 08/ | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/14/2013 | | | | | | | | | | belov | | | below) | | | | |
| (Street) SECAUCUS NJ 07094 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | _ 4. If | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day) | | | | | | Execution Date, | | | | | | es Acquired (A) of Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a | | | and 5) Sed Bed Ow | | ount of ities icially d Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | | | v | Amount | (A) (D) | or | Price | | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (11301.4) | | | |
| Common | Stock, par v | 2013 | | | | A | | 355(1) | A \$54.0 | | 08 ⁽²⁾ 21,825 | | 1,825 | 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) | vative Conversion Date Execution or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any | | | | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 5. Nun of Deriv. Secul Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr. and 5 | ative rities ired osed | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Date Date | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amoun or Numbe of | | f g instr. 3 | 1 | | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Owne Form Direct or Ind (I) (Ins | : t (D) lirect | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Shares acquired pursuant to deferral elections made by the reporting person on December 3, 2012 pursuant to The Children's Place Retail Stores, Inc. Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan.
- 2. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$54.07 to \$54.19, 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 Joseph A. 08/16/2013 Alutto

** 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).

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