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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address Susan Riley	ss of Reporting Perso	on*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CHILDRENS PLACE RETAIL STORES</u> <u>INC</u> [PLCE]		tionship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O THE CHILDREN'S PLACE RETAIL STORES 915 SECAUCUS ROAD		,	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/10/2008		Exec VP, Finance	,	
(Street) SECAUCUS NJ 07094		07094 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	idual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable 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. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)
Common Stock, par value \$0.10 per share	12/10/2008(1)		F		3,527	D	\$23.205	37,693	D	
Common Stock, par value \$0.10 per share	12/10/2008(2)		F		3,027	D	\$23.205	34,666	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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	ative rities ired osed . 3, 4	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares delivered to the company to pay tax liabilities incident to the vesting of deferred stock on December 10, 2008.

2. Shares delivered to the company to pay tax liabilities incident to the vesting of restricted stock on December 10, 2008.

/s/ Lenwood Ross, as Attorney-12/31/2008

In-Fact for Susan J. Riley

** 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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