FORM 3

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> <u>GOLDMAN JAMES A</u> 0				/Year)	uiring Statement 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHILDRENS PLACE RETAIL STORES INC [ PLCE ]									
(Last) 915 SECAUCUS I	SECAUCUS ROAD				4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issue (Check all applicable) X Director		10% Owner		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)     6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) SECAUCUS							Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		X Form fil	led by One	e Reporting Person e than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)												
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned													
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)						2. Amount ( (Instr. 4)	of Securities Beneficially Owned	3. Ownership Form: Direct       4.         (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)       4.		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)				
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned           (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)														
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)				2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Der (Instr. 4)		Exercise P of Derivati		ice Form: Direct (D) or		6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
1				Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares	- Security					

Explanation of Responses: Remarks:

No securities are beneficially owned.

## James Goldman (By Lenwood Ross as

Attorney-in-Fact)
\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

09/22/2006

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 5 (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.

## LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY

BE IT KNOWN, that James Goldman has made and appointed, and by these presents does make and appoint, Steven Balasiano, and Lenwood Ross, each of them acting individ

To sign any and all documents required by the Securities and Exchange Commission to ensure compliance with the rules and regulations thereof by me and by The Child

giving and granting said attorney full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever necessary to be done in and about the specific ar

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 15th day of August, 2006.

Signed and delivered:

\_/s/ James Goldman\_\_\_\_\_

James Goldman