FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>CHILDRENS PLACE RETAIL STORES</u> <u>INC</u>				<u>                                     </u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHILDRENS PLACE RETAIL STORES INC [ PLCE ]							elationship of Reporting Per eck all applicable) Director X Officer (give title below)		erson(s) to Issu 10% Ov Other (s below)	vner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 915 SECAUCUS ROAD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/22/2004							President				
(Street) SECAUCUS NJ 07094  (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 01/26/2004						Line)	5. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Т	able I - Non-D	eriva	tive S	ecurities	Acc	quired, Di	sposed o	f, or Ben	eficially	Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D				te		Execution if any	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Disposed Of Code (Instr. ) 8)		(A) or . 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount Securities Beneficiall Owned Fol	y (D	orm: Direct ) or Indirect (Instr. 4)	. Nature of ndirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transactio (Instr. 3 an			(Instr. 4)	
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)	or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		Execution Date,	Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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)	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		(Instr. 4)	(5)		
Employee Stock Options (right to	\$27.65	01/22/2004		A		250,000 <sup>(1)</sup>		01/31/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/21/2014	Common Stock	250,000	\$27.65	250,000 <sup>(3</sup>	) D		

# Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Revised to reflect an amendment to the terms of Mr. Goldberg's employment agreement.
- 2. Exercisable cumulatively at the rate of 20% on January 31, 2005 and 20% each year thereafter.
- $3. \ Consists \ of \ 0 \ employee \ stock \ options \ currently \ exercisable \ and \ 250,000 \ employee \ stock \ options \ exercisable \ over \ the \ next \ 5 \ years.$

#### Remarks:

**Neal Goldberg** 

05/10/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  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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