

Brink Carl Benjamin  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Brink Carl Benjamin

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 28634 PLEASANT FOREST DRIVE  
 (Street)

KATY, TX 77494

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CARRIAGE SERVICES INC [CSV]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

02/14/2018

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Chief Financial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock                    | 02/14/2018                           |                                                    | A                              | (A) or (D)<br>A                                                   | Amount<br>3,990<br>(1) Price<br>\$ 25.43                                                      | 11,049                                                   | D                                 |

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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| 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Stock Options                              | \$ 25.43                                               |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | (2) 02/14/2028                                           | Common Stock                                                  | 15,000                        |
| Performance Award                          | (3)                                                    |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | (3) 12/31/2022                                           | Common Stock                                                  | 7,980                         |
| Stock Options                              | \$ 26.54                                               |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | (4) 03/21/2027                                           | Common Stock                                                  | 34,900                        |
| Performance Award                          | (5)                                                    |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | (5) 12/31/2021                                           | Common Stock                                                  | 7,920                         |
| Stock Options                              | \$ 20.06                                               |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | (6) 02/23/2026                                           | Common Stock                                                  | 10,000                        |
| Performance Award                          | (7)                                                    |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | (7) 12/31/2020                                           | Common Stock                                                  | 3,100                         |
| Stock Options                              | \$ 22.58                                               |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | (8) 02/24/2022                                           | Common Stock                                                  | 22,000                        |
| Stock Options                              | \$ 20.26                                               |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | (9) 02/25/2019                                           | Common Stock                                                  | 12,000                        |
| Stock Options                              | \$ 16.73                                               |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | (10) 05/22/2018                                          | Common Stock                                                  | 10,000                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                       | Relationships |           |                         |       |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
|                                                                      | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                 | Other |
| Brink Carl Benjamin<br>28634 PLEASANT FOREST DRIVE<br>KATY, TX 77494 |               |           | Chief Financial Officer |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Carl B. Brink 02/16/2018

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).
- (1) Restricted Stock grant pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. 2017 Omnibus Plan which will vest 1/3 on 2/14/2019, 2/14/2020 and on 2/14/2021.
- (2) Stock Options granted pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. 2017 Omnibus Plan which will vest 1/5 on 2/14/2019, 2/14/2020, 2/14/2021, 2/14/2022 and 2/14/2023. The options expire on 2/14/2028.
- Represents performance-based awards, payable in shares, granted under the Carriage Services, Inc. 2017 Omnibus Incentive Plan. The award will vest (if at all) on December 31, 2022 provided that certain criteria surrounding Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA (Adjusted Earnings Before Interest Tax Depreciation and Amortization) and Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA Margin performance is achieved and the Reporting Person has remained continuously employed by Carriage through such date. The Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA performance represents 50% of the award and the Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA Margin performance represents 50% of the award.
- (3) Stock Options granted pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan which will vest 1/5 each year on 3/21/2018, 3/21/2019, 3/21/2020, 3/21/2021 and 3/21/2022. These stock options expire on 3/21/2027.
- Represents performance-based awards, payable in shares, granted under the Carriage Services, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The award will vest (if at all) on December 31, 2021 provided that certain criteria surrounding Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA (Adjusted Earnings Before Interest Tax Depreciation and Amortization) and Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA Margin performance is achieved and the Reporting Person has remained continuously employed by Carriage through such date. The Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA performance represents 50% of the award and the Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA Margin performance represents 50% of the award.
- (5) Stock Options granted pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan which vested 1/5 on 2/23/2017, and will vest 1/5 on 2/23/2018, 2/23/2019, 2/23/2020 and 2/23/2021. These stock options expire on 2/23/2026.
- Represents performance-based awards, payable in shares, granted under the Carriage Services, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The award will vest (if at all) on December 31, 2020 provided that certain criteria surrounding Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA (Adjusted Earnings Before Interest Tax Depreciation and Amortization) and Relative Shareholder Return performance is achieved and the Reporting Person has remained continuously employed by Carriage through such date. The Relative Shareholder Return performance represents 75% of the award and the Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA performance represents 25% of the award.
- (7) Stock Option grant pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan which vested 1/3 on 2/24/2016, 1/3 on 2/24/2017 and 1/3 will vest on 2/24/2018. These stock options expire on 02/24/2022.
- Stock Option Grant pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan of 18,000 options granted on 02/25/2014, of which 6,000 options vested on 2/25/2015 and were exercised on 3/26/2015, 6,000 options vested on 2/25/2016 and 2/25/2017. These options expire on 02/25/2019.
- (9) Stock Option Grant pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan of 15,000 options on 5/22/2013, of which 5,000 options vested on 5/22/2014 and were exercised on 3/26/2015, 5,000 vested on 5/22/2015 and 5,000 vested on 5/22/2016. The options expire on 5/22/2018.
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