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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Bruce Mark R			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Lost)	(Finat)	(Middle)	CARRIAGE SERVICES INC [CSV]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
3811 CARNDEN LANE			03/09/2018	XOfficer (give titleOther (specify below) Chief Operating Officer			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
MISSOURI (CITY, TX 7	7459	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acq	uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	03/09/2018		M	30,000	A	\$ 16.73	36,650	D		
Common Stock	03/09/2018		F	21,099 (1)	D	\$ 28.05	15,551	D		
Common Stock							30,940	I	Jointly owned with spouse	

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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acqu or D (D)	eurities quired (A) Disposed of str. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shar
Stock Options	\$ 16.73	03/09/2018		M		30,000	(2)	05/22/2018	Common Stock	30,00
Stock Options	\$ 25.43						(3)	02/14/2028	Common Stock	25,00
Performance Award	<u>(4)</u>						<u>(4)</u>	12/31/2022	Common Stock	13,30
Stock Options	\$ 26.54						(5)	03/21/2027	Common Stock	58,10
Performance Award	<u>(6)</u>						<u>(6)</u>	12/31/2021	Common Stock	13,19
Stock Options	\$ 20.26						<u>(7)</u>	02/25/2019	Common Stock	40,00
Performance Award	<u>(8)</u>						(8)	12/31/2020	Common Stock	5,800
Stock Options	\$ 22.58						(9)	02/24/2022	Common Stock	40,00
Stock Options	\$ 20.06						(10)	02/23/2026	Common Stock	18,50
Stock Options	\$ 5.94						(11)	03/05/2022	Common Stock	26,28
Stock Options	\$ 5.7						(12)	02/28/2021	Common Stock	17,91
Stock Options	\$ 4.78						(13)	05/18/2020	Common Stock	17,53

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Bruce Mark R 3811 CARNDEN LANE MISSOURI CITY, TX 77459

Chief Operating Officer

Signatures

/s/ Mark R. 03/12/2018 Bruce

**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) Represents shares withheld on 03/09/2018 to cover option price and the tax liability associated with the exercise of stock options granted on 05/22/2013.
- Stock Options grant pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan which vested 1/3 on 05/22/2014, 1/3 on 05/22/2015 and 1/3 on 05/22/2016. These stock options expire on 05/22/2018. All 30,000 stock options were exercised on 03/09/2018.
- (3) 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
- (4) 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 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.
- Stock Option grant pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan which vested 1/3 on 2/25/2015, 1/3 on 2/25/2016 and 1/3 on 2/25/2017. These stock options expire on 02/25/2019.
 - 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.
- (9) 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 on 2/24/2018. These stock options expire on 02/24/2022.
- 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, 1/5 on 2/23/2018 and will vest 1/5 on 2/23/2019, 2/23/2020 and 2/23/2021. These stock options expire on 2/23/2026.

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- Stock Options grant pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan which vested 1/3 on 03/05/2013, 1/3 on 03/05/2014 and 1/3 on 03/05/2015. These stock options expire on 03/05/2022.
- Stock Options grant pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan which vested 1/3 on 02/28/2012, 1/3 on 02/28/2013 and 1/3 on 02/28/2014. These stock options expire on 02/28/2021.
- (13) Stock Options granted pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan which vested 1/3 on 05/18/2011, 1/3 on 5/18/2012 and 1/3 on 5/18/2013. These stock options expire on 5/18/2020.

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