

Vera Bradley, Inc.  
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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 \*  
Byrne James Bradley

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O VERA BRADLEY, INC., 12420  
STONEBRIDGE ROAD

(Street)

ROANOKE, IN 46783

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Vera Bradley, Inc. [VRA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
07/01/2015

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired or Disposed of (A) or (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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V Amount (A) or (D) Price  |   |  |                                   |
| Common Shares                   | 07/01/2015                           |  | J <sup>(1)</sup>               | V 200,000 D \$ 0 8,610,469 <sup>(1)</sup>                            | I   | See footnote <sup>(1)</sup>                              |                                   |
| Common Shares                   | 07/01/2015                           |  | J <sup>(2)</sup>               | V 50,000 <sup>(2)</sup> A \$ 0 50,000 <sup>(2)</sup>                 | D   |  |                                   |
| Common Shares                   | 07/01/2015                           |  | G                              | V 25,000 <sup>(3)</sup> D \$ 0 25,000                                | D   |  |                                   |
| Common Shares                   | 07/01/2015                           |  | G                              | V 25,000 <sup>(4)</sup> D \$ 0 0                                     | 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)

| 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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Byrne James Bradley<br>C/O VERA BRADLEY, INC.<br>12420 STONEBRIDGE ROAD<br>ROANOKE, IN 46783 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ James B. Byrne  
07/06/2015  
Date

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## 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) Constitutes 8,610,469 shares of the Issuer's common stock held by The Barbara B. Baekgaard 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust (the "Baekgaard Trust"). The Baekgaard Trust distributed 50,000 shares of the Issuer's common stock to each of its four beneficiaries in accordance with the terms of the documents governing the Baekgaard Trust. Mr. Byrne disclaims beneficial ownership of the Issuer's shares held by the Baekgaard Trust, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
  - (2) The Baekgaard Trust distributed 50,000 shares of the Issuer's common stock to Mr. Byrne as a beneficiary of the Baekgaard Trust.
  - (3) Of the 50,000 shares of the Issuer's common stock Mr. Byrne received from the Baekgaard Trust, Mr. Byrne is gifting 25,000 shares of the Issuer's common stock to Indiana University.

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- (4) Of the 50,000 shares of the Issuer's common stock Mr. Byrne received from the Baekgaard Trust, Mr. Byrne is gifting 25,000 shares of the Issuer's common stock to the Barbara Bradley Baekgaard Family Foundation.

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