

McCRACKEN BERNARD LOUIS III
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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 *
 McCracken Bernard Louis III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 CHILDRENS PLACE RETAIL STORES INC [PLCE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O THE CHILDREN'S PLACE
 RETAIL STORES, INC. 500
 PLAZA DRIVE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 09/23/2011

____ Director
 ___X___ Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
 See Remarks

SECAUCUS, NJ 07094
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 ___X___ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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, par value \$0.10 per share | 09/23/2011 | | F | 320 (1) D | \$ 43.54 (2) 5,745 | 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. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
| | | | | 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 |
| McCRACKEN BERNARD LOUIS III C/O THE CHILDREN'S PLACE RETAIL STORES, INC. 500 PLAZA DRIVE SECAUCUS, NJ 07094 | | | | See Remarks |

Signatures

/s/ James E. Myers, as Attorney-In-Fact for Bernard McCracken
 09/26/2011
 **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) Shares sold to pay tax liabilities incident to the vesting of restricted stock on September 21, 2011.
 The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$43.42 to \$43.67 inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to The Children's Place Retail Stores, Inc. (the "Company"), any security holder of the Company, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.

Remarks:

Vice President, Controller and Interim Principal Accounting Officer

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