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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Ray Michael C.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Vera Bradley, Inc. [VRA]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

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

Director Officer (give title below)

_X__ 10% Owner _ Other (specify

C/O VERA BRADLEY, INC., 12420 07/27/2016

STONEBRIDGE ROAD

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 Form filed by More than One Reporting

ROANOKE, IN 46783

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Bend	ficially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) Or Code V Amount (D) Price	Beneficial Ownership
Common Stock	07/27/2016		G(1) V 800,000 D \$ 0 6,610,469 (2) I	By Barbara B. Baekgaard 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust
Common Stock	07/27/2016		$G_{\underline{(1)}}$ V 200,000 A \$ 0 0 $\underline{(3)}$ I	By Anne-Marie Ray
Common Stock			200,000 (2) I	By Anne-Marie

			Ray 2016 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust #1		
Common Stock	290,262	D			
Common Stock	885,996	I	By Michael Ray 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust		
Common Stock	300,000 (2)	I	By Anne-Marie Ray 2015 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust		
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 $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative	J
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				Code v	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships

Reporting Owner Name / Address

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Ray Michael C. C/O VERA BRADLEY, INC. 12420 STONEBRIDGE ROAD ROANOKE, IN 46783

X

Signatures

/s/ Michael C.

Ray 08/02/2016

**Signature of Date
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).
- Represents a distribution by the Barbara B. Baekgaard 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust (the "Baekgaard Trust") of 200,000 shares of
- (1) the Issuer's common stock to each of the four beneficiaries of the Baekgaard Trust, including the reporting person's spouse, in accordance with the terms of the documents governing the Baekgaard Trust.
- (2) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.
- On July 27, 2016, following the reporting person's spouse's receipt of the 200,000 share distribution from the Baekgaard Trust, the
- (3) reporting person's spouse transferred the shares to the Anne-Marie Ray 2016 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust #1, of which the reporting person's spouse is the sole trustee and annuitant.

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