

Byrne James Bradley  
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**FORM 4**

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(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)

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
 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 (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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Price  |   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 09/05/2017                           |  | S                              | 173,519 D   | \$ 8.23 0   | I  | By James B. Byrne 2015 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust |
| Common Stock                    | 09/05/2017                           |  | S                              | 63,981 D  | \$ 8.23 136,019   | I  | By James B. Byrne 2016 Grantor Retained               |

|              |                          |   |   |
|--------------|--------------------------|---|---|
| Common Stock | 500,000                  | I | Annuity Trust #1<br>By James B. Byrne 2017<br>Grantor Retained Annuity Trust #1 |
| Common Stock | 4,610,469 <sup>(1)</sup> | I | By Barbara B. Baekgaard 2009<br>Grantor Retained Annuity Trust                  |

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. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable      Expiration Date                    | Title   | Amount or Number of Shares                 |  |
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   |  |   |  |  |

## Reporting Owners

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

12420 STONEBRIDGE ROAD  
ROANOKE, IN 46783

## Signatures

/s/ James B.

09/07/2017

Byrne

    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) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.

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