

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Byrne James Bradley</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O VERA BRADLEY, INC.</u> <u>12420 STONEBRIDGE ROAD</u>  (Street) <u>ROANOKE IN 46783</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Vera Bradley, Inc. [ VRA ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner  Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>07/27/2016</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	

**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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	07/27/2016		G <sup>(1)</sup>	V	800,000	D	\$0.00	6,610,469 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	By Barbara B. Baekgaard 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust
Common Stock	07/27/2016		G <sup>(1)</sup>	V	200,000	A	\$0.00	0 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	
Common Stock								200,000 <sup>(3)</sup>	I	By James B. Byrne 2016 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust #1
Common Stock								300,000	I	By James B. Byrne 2015 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust

**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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

**Explanation of Responses:**

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

**Remarks:**

/s/ James B. Byrne

08/02/2016

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* 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).

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