

Ray Michael C.  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
Ray Michael C.

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O VERA BRADLEY, INC., 12420  
STONEBRIDGE ROAD

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/23/2018

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

(Street)  
ROANOKE, IN 46783

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 05/23/2018                           |  | S                              | 2,429<br>(1)  | D   | \$ 11.44<br>(2)  | 114,175 D   |
| Common Stock                    | 05/24/2018                           |  | S                              | 2,429<br>(1)  | D   | \$ 11.41<br>(2)  | 111,746 D   |
| Common Stock                    | 05/23/2018                           |  | S                              | 10,913<br>(1)   | D   | \$ 11.44<br>(3)  | 512,938 I   |

By Michael Ray 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust

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|              |            |   |                              |   |                                   |                          |   |   |
|--------------|------------|---|------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|---|---|
| Common Stock | 05/24/2018 | S | <u>10,913</u> <sup>(1)</sup> | D | \$<br><u>11.41</u> <sup>(3)</sup> | 502,025                  | I | By Michael Ray 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust          |
| Common Stock | 05/23/2018 | S | <u>3,276</u> <sup>(1)</sup>  | D | \$<br><u>11.44</u> <sup>(4)</sup> | 153,991                  | I | By Anne-Marie Ray Revocable Trust                           |
| Common Stock | 05/24/2018 | S | <u>3,276</u> <sup>(1)</sup>  | D | \$<br><u>11.41</u> <sup>(4)</sup> | 150,715                  | I | By Anne-Marie Ray Revocable Trust                           |
| Common Stock |            |   |                              |   |                                   | 3,410,469 <sup>(5)</sup> | I | By Barbara B. Baekgaard 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust |
| Common Stock |            |   |                              |   |                                   | 46,252                   | I | By Anne-Marie Ray 2016 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust #1    |
| Common Stock |            |   |                              |   |                                   | 500,000                  | I | By Anne-Marie Ray 2017 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust #1    |

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)

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| 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 Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
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## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

/s/ Michael C.  
Ray 05/25/2018

\*\*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 sales reported in this Form 4 were effected under a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted on April 6, 2018.  
The prices reported are weighted average prices. The shares sold on May 23, 2018 were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$11.35 to \$11.54, inclusive, and the shares sold on May 24, 2018 were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$11.29 to \$11.51, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, 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.
  - (3) The prices reported are weighted average prices. The shares sold on May 23, 2018 were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$11.09 to \$11.54, inclusive, and the shares sold on May 24, 2018 were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$11.28 to \$11.51, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, 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.
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(5) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.

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