

FLAKS RICHARD  
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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 \*  
FLAKS RICHARD

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)  
915 SECAUCUS ROAD  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/10/2007

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

SECAUCUS, NJ 07094

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Deferred Stock Award <sup>(1)</sup>	12/10/2007		A		16,331	A	\$ 0
					16,331	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)**

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Share Award	(2)	12/10/2007		A	16,331 (3)	(4) 01/29/2011	Common Stock	16,331

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FLAKS RICHARD 915 SECAUCUS ROAD SECAUCUS, NJ 07094			See Remarks	

## Signatures

/s/ Richard Flaks                      12/12/2007  
 \*\*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).
- (1) One-third of the shares vest on each of the first, second and third anniversary of the date of grant. Shares will be delivered to the recipient upon vesting.
- (2) Each performance share represents a contingent right to receive one share of the issuer's common stock.
- (3) This amount is the target number of shares. The recipient may receive up to 200% of this amount.
- (4) The Compensation Committee shall determine the performance criteria for the performance share awards no later than 90 days after the beginning of the issuer's 2008 fiscal year.

### Remarks:

SVP, Planning, Allocation and Information Technology

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