

Ray Michael C.  
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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.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O VERA BRADLEY, INC., 2208  
PRODUCTION ROAD

(Street)

FORT WAYNE, IN 46808

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/29/2013

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)

Chief Executive Officer

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |           |   |                  |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|-----------|---|------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount or Price   |  |  |           |   |                  |
| Common Shares                   | 03/29/2013                           |  | M                              |   | 5,541   | A  | (2)  | 985,913   | D |                  |
| Common Shares                   |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  |  | 9,697,465 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Shares                   | 03/29/2013                           |  | F                              |   | 1,710   | D  | \$ 23.63                                   | 984,203   | D |                  |
| Common Shares                   | 03/29/2013                           |  | A                              |   | 32,617  | A  | \$ 0                                       | 1,016,820 | 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)

| 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 or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (4)  | 03/29/2013                           |  | M                              | 5,541   | (2) (2)  | Common Shares   | 5,541   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                 | Other |
| Ray Michael C.<br>C/O VERA BRADLEY, INC.<br>2208 PRODUCTION ROAD<br>FORT WAYNE, IN 46808 | X             | X         | Chief Executive Officer |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Anastacia S. Knapper, attorney-in-fact for Michael C. Ray 04/02/2013

\*\*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 shares in column 5 represent shares beneficially owned by Michael C. Ray, including 885,996 shares held by the Michael Ray 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust, of which his spouse serves as sole trustee, 1,000 shares held by Mr. Ray's son, and 8,810,469 shares held by the Barbara B. Baekgaard 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust, of which he serves as co-trustee. Mr. Ray disclaims beneficial ownership of and pecuniary interest in all of these shares.
- (2) The restricted stock units were granted under the Vera Bradley, Inc. 2010 Equity and Incentive Plan. The restricted stock units vest ratably and settle in common shares on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the grant date, which was March 29, 2011.
- (3) Represents restricted stock units subject to vesting and forfeiture.

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- (4) Converts into common shares on a one-for-one basis.

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