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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BARCLAY KATHLEEN S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KROGER CO [KR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
THE KROGER O	CO., 1014	VINE	(Month/Day/Year) 03/12/2015	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President			
(5	Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
CINCINNATI, OH 45202			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State) (Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securi		•	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)	• •	any	Code	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned Following	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
					(A)		Reported Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/12/2015		A	5,534	A	\$ 0	60,519	D	
Common Stock	03/12/2015		F	2,622 (1)	D	\$ 76.29	57,897	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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						Exercisable	Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BARCLAY KATHLEEN S THE KROGER CO. 1014 VINE STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202

Senior Vice President

Signatures

/s/ Kathleen S. Barclay, by Stacey M. Heiser, Attorney-in-Fact

03/16/2015

**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) Payment of tax liability associated with share award.

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