

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

## FORM 4

Statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities

Filing Date: **2004-05-18** | Period of Report: **2004-05-14**  
SEC Accession No. **0001179110-04-010795**

([HTML Version](#) on [secdatabase.com](http://secdatabase.com))

### REPORTING OWNER

#### **GROENEMAN MARK L**

CIK: **1193275**

Type: **4** | Act: **34** | File No.: **001-11961** | Film No.: **04815866**

Business Address  
3906 VALLEY GREEN CT.  
HOUSTON TX 77059

### ISSUER

#### **CARRIAGE SERVICES INC**

CIK: **1016281** | IRS No.: **760423828** | State of Incorporation: **DE** | Fiscal Year End: **1231**  
SIC: **7200** Personal services

Mailing Address  
1300 POST OAK BLVD  
HOUSTON TX 77056

Business Address  
1300 POST OAK BLVD STE  
1500  
HOUSTON TX 77056  
2815567400

# FORM 4

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

### OMB APPROVAL

OMB Number: 3235-0287  
Expires: 02/28/2011  
Estimated average burden hours per response 0.5

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <b>GROENEMAN MARK L</b>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>CARRIAGE SERVICES INC [CSV]</b>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <b>Sr. VP</b>		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <b>05/14/2004</b>			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person		
3906 VALLEY GREEN CT.  (Street) <b>HOUSTON, TX 77059</b>			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					
(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	05/14/2004		<u>M</u>		10,000	A	\$1.1875	58,547	D	
Common Stock	05/14/2004		<u>S</u>		2,400	D	\$5	56,147	D	
Common Stock	05/17/2004		<u>M</u>		25,000	A	\$1.1875	81,147	D	
Common Stock	05/17/2004		<u>M</u>		15,000	A	\$4.77	96,147	D	

**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 of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Stock Options	\$1.1875	05/14/2004		<u>C</u>		10,000		12/22/2001	12/22/2010	Common Stock	10,000	(1)	40,000	D	
Stock Options	\$1.1875	05/17/2004		<u>C</u>		25,000		12/22/2001	12/22/2010	Common Stock	25,000	(1)	15,000	D	
Stock Options	\$4.77	05/17/2004		<u>C</u>		15,000		02/11/2002	02/11/2012	Common Stock	15,000	(1)	0	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. Exercise of a derivative security

**Signatures**

Mark L. Groeneman

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

05/18/2004

Date

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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

**Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB Number.**