

Container Store Group, Inc.  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
STERN CARYL

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O THE CONTAINER STORE GROUP, INC., 500 FREEPORT PARKWAY

(Street)

COPPELL, TX 75019

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Container Store Group, Inc. [TCS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
08/01/2016

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)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |     |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Code  | V  | Amount                            | (D) | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction | 5. Number of Derivative | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities | 8. |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|---|--|----|
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| Security<br>(Instr. 3)               | or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Code<br>(Instr. 8) | Securities<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) |                     |                    |                 |                                     |
|--------------------------------------|---|-------------------------|--------------------|--|------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
|                                      |   |                         | Code               | V  | (A)              | (D)              | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy) | \$ 5.35   | 08/01/2016              | A                  |  | 30,675           |                  | <u>(1)</u>          | 08/01/2026         | Common<br>Stock | 30,675                              |

**Reporting Owners**

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

STERN CARYL  
C/O THE CONTAINER STORE GROUP, INC.  
500 FREEPORT PARKWAY  
COPPELL, TX 75019

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**Signatures**

/s/ Joan Manson, Attorney-in-Fact for Caryl  
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08/03/2016

\*\*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) Subject to the Reporting Person's continued service through each such vesting date, the option shall vest and become exercisable in three equal installments as follows: (i) the first installment shall vest on the earlier of (x) the day immediately preceding the date of the first annual meeting of the Issuer's stockholders (any annual meeting of the Issuer's stockholders, an "Annual Meeting") following August 1, 2016 (the "Grant Date") and (y) August 1, 2017; (ii) the second installment shall vest on the earlier of (x) the day immediately preceding the second Annual Meeting following the Grant Date and (y) August 1, 2018; and (iii) the third installment shall vest on the earlier of (x) the day immediately preceding the third Annual Meeting following the Grant Date and (y) August 1, 2019.

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