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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Ray Michael C.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol Vera Bradley, Inc. [VRA]

(Last)

(City)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

C/O VERA BRADLEY, INC., 12420 12/21/2015

(State)

STONEBRIDGE ROAD (Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director Officer (give title below)

__ 10% Owner Other (specify

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

ROANOKE, IN 46783

(City)	(State)	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed	of (D)	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)	
Common Shares					(-)		8,661,465 <u>(1)</u>	I	See footnote (1)	
Common Shares	12/21/2015		S	50,000 (2)	D	\$ 15.82 (3)	577,462	D		
Common Shares	12/22/2015		S	33,600 (2)	D	\$ 15.57 (3)	543,862	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. onNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired			Amou Under Secur	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo
	·				(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Ray Michael C.

C/O VERA BRADLEY, INC. 12420 STONEBRIDGE ROAD ROANOKE, IN 46783

X

Signatures

/s/ Michael C.

Ray 12/22/2015

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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- * 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).

The shares in column 5 include 885,996 shares of the Issuer's common stock held by the Michael Ray 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust (the "Ray Trust"), 7,410,469 shares held by the Barbara B. Baekgaard 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust (the "Baekgaard")

- (1) Trust"), 300,000 shares held by the Anne-Marie Ray 2015 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust (the "Anne-Marie Trust") and 65,000 shares held by the Barbara Bradley Baekgaard Family Foundation (the "Foundation"). The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the Issuer's shares held by the Ray Trust, the Baekgaard Trust, the Anne-Marie Trust and the Foundation.
- (2) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected under a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan dated March 25, 2015.
- (3) The price reported in column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares sold on December 21, 2015 were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$15.67 to \$16.35, inclusive. The shares sold on December 22, 2015 were sold in multiple transactions at prices

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ranging from \$15.34 to \$15.99, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.

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