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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

STREET

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Foley Todd A

(First)

THE KROGER CO., 1014 VINE

Symbol

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading KROGER CO [KR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/14/2019

(Middle)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title below)

Vice President & Controller

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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CINCINNATI, OH 45202

(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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	03/14/2019		A	3,839 (1)	A	\$ 0	32,558	D		
Common Stock	03/15/2019		A	1,761	A	\$ 0	34,319	D		
Common Stock	03/15/2019		F	885 (2)	D	\$ 24.75	33,434	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)

Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	S. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 24.75	03/14/2019		A	10,498	(3)	03/14/2029	Common Stock	10,4

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Foley Todd A THE KROGER CO. 1014 VINE STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202

Vice President & Controller

Signatures

/s/ Todd A. Foley, by Stacey M. Heiser, Attorney-in-Fact

03/18/2019

**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) Restricted stock awarded pursuant to a long-term incentive plan of The Kroger Co. The restrictions on these shares lapse in equal annual installments over a four-year period, at the rate of 25% per year commencing one year from the date of the award.
- (2) Payment of tax liability associated with share award.
- (3) These options were granted under a long-term incentive plan of The Kroger Co. and vest in equal annual installments over a four-year period, at the rate of 25% per year commencing one year from the date of the grant.

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