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August 05, 2009

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

SCHEDULE 13D  
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
(Amendment No. 9)\*

The Children's Place Retail Stores, Inc.

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(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$0.10 par value

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(Title of Class of Securities)

168905107

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(CUSIP Number)

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person  
Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

August 3, 2009

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(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS

Ezra Dabah

S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON:

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a)   
(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

PF

5 CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) or 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

United States

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF SHARES 679,818

BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 8 SHARED VOTING POWER

1,789,720

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

679,818

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

1,789,720

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

2,469,538

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

8.3%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

IN

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1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS

Renee Dabah

S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON:

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

(a)   
(b)

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

United States

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF  
SHARES

0

BENEFICIALLY  
OWNED BY  
EACH  
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This Amendment No. 9 amends and supplements the statement on Schedule 13D (the "Schedule 13D") originally filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 15, 2007, as amended by Amendment No. 1 filed on February 7, 2008, Amendment No. 2 filed on February 21, 2008, Amendment No. 3 filed on May 15, 2008, Amendment No. 4 filed on April 24, 2009, Amendment No. 5 filed on May 6, 2009, Amendment No. 6 filed on May 15, 2009, Amendment No. 7 on June 5, 2009 and Amendment No. 8 on July 30, 2009 by Ezra Dabah and Renee Dabah (the "Reporting Persons") with respect to the shares of Common Stock, \$0.10 par value per share (the "Common Stock"), of The Children's Place Retail Stores, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"). Unless otherwise indicated, each capitalized term used but not defined herein shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the Schedule 13D. From and after the date hereof, all references in the Schedule 13D to the Schedule 13D or terms of similar import shall be deemed to refer to the Schedule 13D as amended and supplemented hereby.

The Reporting Persons have entered into a Fourth Amended and Restated Joint Filing Agreement, dated as of July 29, 2009, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit L to Amendment No. 8 to the Schedule 13D filed on July 30, 2009, and which is incorporated herein by reference. Neither the fact of this filing nor anything contained herein shall be deemed an admission by the Reporting Persons that they constitute a "group" as such term is used in Section 13(d)(1)(k) of the rules and regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Items 4 and 5 are hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

On August 3, 2009, pursuant to the securities purchase agreement by and between the Company, on the one hand, and the Reporting Persons and certain affiliated trusts, on the other hand (the "Securities Purchase Agreement"), the Reporting Persons and certain affiliated trusts sold 2,451,315 shares of Common Stock to the Company at a price of \$28.88 per share. Also, on August 3, 2009, Mr. Dabah resigned from his position as a director of the Company.

The Reporting Persons also have the option pursuant to the Securities Purchase Agreement to have 2,452,258 shares of Common Stock held by the Reporting Persons and certain affiliated trusts registered by the Company pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933 for sale pursuant to an underwritten public offering. The Securities Purchase Agreement also contains customary standstill provisions and provides for indemnification and the release of claims by the parties. The foregoing description of the Securities Purchase Agreement is qualified in its entirety by the full text of the Securities Purchase Agreement, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit M to Amendment No. 8 to the Schedule 13D filed on July 30, 2009, and which is incorporated herein by reference.

The Reporting Persons are reviewing all of their alternatives with respect to their investment in the Company. The Reporting Persons may sell some or all of their stock in the Company on the open market, in private transactions or otherwise, and may also enter into hedging or other similar transactions with broker-dealers or other financial institutions. The Reporting Persons may also transfer shares to or from a Reporting Person to another Reporting Person. The Reporting Persons intend to review their investment in the Company on a continuing basis. Depending on various factors including, without limitation, the Company's financial position, results and strategic direction, price levels of the common stock, conditions in

the securities and credit markets and general economic and industry conditions, the Reporting Persons may, in addition to the foregoing and subject to the terms of the Securities Purchase Agreement, take such actions with respect to their

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investment in the Company as they deem appropriate.

Subject to the terms of the Securities Purchase Agreement, the Reporting Persons reserve the right to change their plans or intentions and to take any and all actions that they may deem appropriate to maximize the value of their investment in the Company in light of market conditions, subsequent developments affecting the Company and the general business and future prospects of the Company.

Except as set forth above, the Reporting Persons do not have any current intention, plan or proposal with respect to the matters referred to in paragraphs (a) - (j) of Item 4 of Schedule 13D.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

(a) - (b)

Based upon the Company's Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 16, 2009, there were 29,605,114 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of June 9, 2009. Ezra Dabah is the beneficial owner of 2,469,538 shares of Common Stock of the Company, representing 8.3% of the total number of shares outstanding as of June 9, 2009. Mr. Dabah (i) has the sole power to vote or to direct the vote and to dispose or direct the disposition of 679,818 of such shares (which includes 187,000 shares that are issuable upon the exercise of outstanding vested options and 3,143 deferred shares scheduled to vest within 60 days of June 9, 2009), (ii) has shared power to vote or to direct the vote and to dispose or direct the disposition of 1,413,720 of such shares held by Mr. Dabah and others, as custodians or trustees for Mr. Dabah's children and certain other family members and (iii) has shared power to vote or to direct the vote and to dispose or direct the disposition of 376,000 of such shares held by Mr. Dabah and his wife as joint tenants with right of survivorship.

Renee Dabah, wife of Ezra Dabah, is the beneficial owner of 2,469,538 shares of Common Stock of the Company, representing 8.3% of the total number of shares outstanding as of June 9, 2009. Mrs. Dabah (i) does not have the sole power to vote or to direct the vote or to dispose or direct the disposition of any of such shares, (ii) has shared power to vote or to direct the vote and to dispose or direct the disposition of 1,413,720 of such shares held by Mrs. Dabah and others, as custodians or trustees for Mrs. Dabah's children and certain other family members, (iii) has shared power to vote or to direct the vote and to dispose or direct the disposition of 376,000 of such shares held by Mrs. Dabah and her husband as joint tenants with right of survivorship and (iv) may be deemed to have shared power to vote or to direct the vote and to dispose or direct the disposition of 679,818 of such shares (which includes 187,000 shares that are issuable to Mrs. Dabah's husband upon the exercise of vested stock options and 3,143 deferred shares scheduled to vest within 60 days of June 9, 2009) owned by Mrs. Dabah's husband.

(c) None.

(d) N/A.

(e) N/A.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of each of the undersigned's

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knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

EZRA DABAH

By: /s/ Ezra Dabah

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Name: Ezra Dabah

RENEE DABAH

By: /s/ Renee Dabah

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Name: Renee Dabah

Dated: August 4, 2009