# OAK HILL ADVISORS LP Form 3

January 09, 2002

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|     |  | FORM 3                                    |            |   |  |  |  |
|     | INITIAL STATEME                                    | NT OF BENEFICIAL OW                       | NERS       | HIP OF SECURITIES   |  |  |  |
|     | Section 17(a) of the Section 30(f)                 |   | ing        | ies Exchange Act of 1934,<br>Company Act of 1935 or<br>any Act of 1940                      |  |  |  |
| (Pr | rint or Type Responses)                            |   |            |   |  |  |  |
| 1.  | Name and Address of Reporting Person*              |   |            |   |  |  |  |
|     | Oak Hill Advisors, L.P.                            |   |            |   |  |  |  |
|     | (Last)   | (First)                                   |            | (Middle)  |  |  |  |
|     | 201 Main Street, Suite                             | 2415                                      |            |   |  |  |  |
|     |  | (Street)                                  |            |   |  |  |  |
|     | Fort Worth   | TX  |            | 76102   |  |  |  |
|     | (City)   | (State)                                   |            | (Zip)   |  |  |  |
| 2.  | Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) |   |            |   |  |  |  |
|     | 12/28/01   |   |            |   |  |  |  |
| 3.  | IRS Identification Numb                            | er of Reporting Per                       | son,       | if an Entity (Voluntary)  |  |  |  |
| 4.  | Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol           |   |            |   |  |  |  |
|     | Stage Stores, Inc. ("ST                            | GS <b>"</b> )                             |            |   |  |  |  |
| 5.  | Relationship of Reporti<br>(Check all applicable)  | ng Person to Issuer                       |            |   |  |  |  |
|     | <pre>[_] Director [_] Officer (give titl</pre>     |   | [_]<br>[X] | 10% Owner<br>Other (specify below)**  |  |  |  |

If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)

| 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date  | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)                             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| (E.G., PUTS, CALLS, WARRANTS, OPTIONS, C   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TABLE II DERIVATIVE SECURITIES B   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| FORM 3 (continued)   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | (Over)<br>SEC 1473 (3-99)   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| IN THIS FORM ARE NOT REQUIRED TO RESPOND UNLESS T<br>VALID OMB NUMBER.   | HE FORM DISPLAYS A CURRENTLY  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| the Issuer's outstanding Common Stock.  POTENTIAL PERSONS WHO ARE TO RESPOND TO THE COLLE  | CTION OF INFORMATION CONTAINED  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <pre>* If the Form is filed by more than one Reporting Person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).  ** May be deemed a member of a Section 13(d) group that owns more than 10% of</pre> |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class owned directly or indirectly.   | s of securities beneficially  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 1. Title of Security Benefici (Instr. 4) (Instr.   | 3. Ownership Form:  f Securities Direct (D) or  ally Owned Indirect (I) 4. Nature  4) (Instr. 5) (Instr |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TABLE I NON-DERIVATIVE SECURITIES  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| [_] Form Filed by More than One Reporting P  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check app [X] Form Filed by One Reporting Person  | licable line)   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | cisable | Expira-<br>tion<br>Date | Title        | Number<br>of<br>Shares | Price<br>Deriv<br>Secur |
|--|---------|-------------------------|--------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Stock Options<br>(right to buy)            |         | (1)                     | Common Stock | 20,000                 | (1)                     |
|  |         |                         |              |                        |                         |
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#### Explanation of Responses:

(1) The options were issued in three equal groupings with per share exercise prices of \$13.75, \$15.00 and \$16.25, respectively. The right to exercise these options will vest over four years from August 24, 2001, with 25% of each group vesting at the end of each of the first four years following the date of grant, and will expire on the earlier of (i) sixty (60) days after the date that Glenn R. August is no longer a Director of the Issuer and (ii) ten years from the date of the grant.

The Reporting Person may be deemed a member of a Section 13(d) group that owns more than 10% of the Issuer's outstanding Common Stock. However, the Reporting Person disclaims such group membership, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is a member of a Section 13(d) group that owns more than 10% of the Issuer's outstanding Common Stock for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

Oak Hill Advisors, L.P.

By: Oak Hill Advisors MGP, Inc., its general partner

/s/ Glenn R. August January 9, 2002

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Name: Glenn R. August

Title: President

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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