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## FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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| obligations may continue. See<br>Instruction 1(b).                     |

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

nt to Section 16(a) of the Securities Excha ao Act of 1024 

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|                                      |                                 |          | or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940                                | )                   |  |                                 |  |
| 1. Name and Add<br><u>SLOAN ST</u>   | dress of Reporting I<br>TUART M | Person*  | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>J CREW GROUP INC</u> [ JCG ] |                     | tionship of Reporting P<br>all applicable)<br>Director | erson(s) to Issuer<br>10% Owner |  |
| (Last)<br>C/O J.CREW (<br>770 BROADW |                                 | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>06/12/2007                        |                     | Officer (give title below)                             | Other (specify below)           |  |
| //0 BROADWAY                         |                                 |          | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year                               | ) 6. Indiv<br>Line) | idual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable          |                                 |  |
| (Street)                             |                                 |          |   | X                   | Form filed by One Reporting Person                     |                                 |  |
| NEW YORK                             | NY                              | 10003    |   |                     | Form filed by More th<br>Person                        | an One Reporting                |  |
| (City)                               | (State)                         | (Zip)    |   |                     |  |                                 |  |

## Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and<br>5) |               |       | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following | (D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership |
|---------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------|---|---|---------------|-------|---|-----------------------------------|---|
|                                 |  |   | Code                         | v | Amount  | (A) or<br>(D) | Price | Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)                |                                   | (Instr. 4)  |

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

|   |   |  |   |                              |   | <u> </u> |     | · •  | ·                  |  |  |  |       |   |  |  |  |  |
|---|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|----------|-----|--|--------------------|--|--|--|-------|---|--|--|--|--|
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   | n of     |     | of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 |                    | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |  | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |       |   | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|   |   |  |   | Code                         | v | (A)      | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |  |       |   |  |  |  |  |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(right to<br>purchase)           | \$49.41   | 06/12/2007                                 |   | A                            |   | 5,500    |     | (1)  | 06/12/2014         | Common<br>Stock  | 5,500                                  | \$0  | 5,500 | D |  |  |  |  |

Explanation of Responses:

1. The option vests in three equal installments on June 12, 2008, June 12, 2009 and June 12, 2010.

/s/ Arlene S. Hong pursuant to a power of attorney filed with 06/13/2007 the Commission

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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