

EXPRESS, INC.
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Rafferty John J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O EXPRESS, INC., 1 EXPRESS DRIVE

(Street)

COLUMBUS, OH 43230

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
EXPRESS, INC. [EXPR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/01/2014

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP - Planning and Allocation

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount or Price | | |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 | 04/01/2014 | | A | | 18,557 (1) | A | \$ 0 151,533 D |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 | 04/01/2014 | | A | | 9,824 (2) | A | \$ 0 161,357 D |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 | 04/02/2014 | | F | | 2,043 | D | \$ 16.71 159,314 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. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 15.88 | 04/01/2014 | | A | 12,122 | <u>(3)</u> 04/01/2024 | Common Stock, par value \$0.01 12,122 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Rafferty John J C/O EXPRESS, INC., 1 EXPRESS DRIVE COLUMBUS, OH 43230 | | | EVP - Planning and Allocation | |

Signatures

Lacey J. Bundy,
Attorney-in-Fact 04/03/2014

**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) Includes restricted stock units that are settled in common stock upon vesting. One-third of the restricted stock units vest on each of the following dates: April 2, 2014, April 2, 2015, and April 2, 2016.
- (2) These shares represent restricted stock units that are to be settled in common stock upon vesting. One-quarter of the restricted stock units vest on each of the following dates: April 15, 2015, April 15, 2016, April 15, 2017, and April 15, 2018.
- (3) One-quarter of the stock options vest on each of the following dates: April 15, 2015, April 15, 2016, April 15, 2017, and April 15, 2018.

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