STAGE STORES INC

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Hall Andrew T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

STAGE STORES INC [SSI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(First) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

(Street)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

03/28/2007

President & COO

10201 MAIN STREET

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

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

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

HOUSTON, TX 77025

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (T) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date** Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) any

(Instr. 3 and 4)

7. Title and Amoun

Underlying Securit

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Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) (Instr. 3) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

> (D) Date Expiration Title Exercisable Date

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or Num of Sh

Stock

Appreciation 50,000 Common \$ 22.96 03/28/2008 03/28/2014 03/28/2007 A 50,0 (1) Rights Stock

Code V

(A)

(SARS)

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hall Andrew T

10201 MAIN STREET President & COO

HOUSTON, TX 77025

Signatures

/s/ Andrew Hall 03/30/2007 **Signature of Date Reporting Person

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- 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).

On March 28, 2007, Mr. Hall was granted Stock Appreciation Rights (SARS) with respect to a total of 50,000 shares of common stock.

- (1) The grant price for the SARS is \$22.96 per share of common stock. The SARS will vest 25% per year on the first of four anniversary dates from the date of grant and expire on March 28, 2014.
 - Includes all derivative securities currently owned by the reporting person including those previously reported and options to purchase 50,000 shares of the issuer's common stock received by the reporting person on January 31, 2007 as a result of the three-for-two split of
- (2) the issuer's common stock payable as a stock dividend to all holders of record of the issuer's common stock at the close of business on January 18, 2007 and the antidilution provisions of the issuer's Amended and Restated 2001 Equity Incentive Plan as approved by the issuer's shareholders on June 3, 2004.

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