

KROGER CO  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

|   |         |  |   |   |
|---|---------|--|---|---|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * |         | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement   | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol |   |
| Â DONNELLY MICHAEL JOSEPH                 |         | (Month/Day/Year)<br>07/01/2011   | KROGER CO [KR]                              |   |
| (Last)                                    | (First) | (Middle)   |   |   |
| THE KROGER CO.,Â 1014 VINE STREET         |         | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer   |   | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)  |
| (Street)                                  |         | (Check all applicable)   |   | 07/06/2011  |
| CINCINNATI,Â OHÂ 45202                    |         | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other<br>(give title below)    (specify below)<br>Senior Vice President |   | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
| (City)                                    | (State) | (Zip)  |   |   |

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

|                                    |  |   |  |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| 1. Title of Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned<br>(Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

|   |   |  |  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| 1. Title of Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
|   | Date Exercisable    Expiration Date                         | Title    Amount or Number of   |  |  |  |

|                               |       |            |                 |        | Shares    | or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 5) |   |
|-------------------------------|-------|------------|-----------------|--------|-----------|----------------------------------|---|
| Non-Qualified Stock<br>Option | Â (1) | 12/12/2012 | Common<br>Stock | 51,114 | \$ 14.925 | D                                | Â |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                 | Other |
| DONNELLY MICHAEL JOSEPH<br>THE KROGER CO.<br>1014 VINE STREET<br>CINCINNATI, OH 45202 | Â             | Â         | Â Senior Vice President | Â     |

## Signatures

Michael J. Donnelly, by Bruce M. Gack,  
Attorney-in-Fact

01/04/2012

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) These options were granted under a long-term incentive plan of The Kroger Co. and vest in equal annual installments in whole amounts over a five-year period, at the rate of 20% per year commencing one year from the date of the grant.

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### Remarks:

This amendment is being filed to correct an error in a line-item holding reported on the original

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