

Ranelli John
Form 4
February 14, 2018

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Ranelli John

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO
[CENT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/12/2018

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

C/O CENTRAL GARDEN & PET
COMPANY, 1340 TREAT BLVD,
SUITE 600

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597

(City) (State) (Zip)

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	(A) or (D)	Price			
Class A Common Stock	02/12/2018		S		2,000	D	\$ 37.1949 ⁽¹⁾	12,951	I	By John R. Ranelli Trust ⁽²⁾
Class A Common Stock	02/13/2018		A		542 ⁽³⁾	A	\$ 0	17,209	D	
Common Stock								100	I	By John R. Ranelli Trust ⁽²⁾

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Common Stock 39,385 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 (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)	8. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 36.94	02/13/2018		A	5,415 (4)	(5) 08/13/2021	Class A Common Stock	5,415

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Ranelli John C/O CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY 1340 TREAT BLVD, SUITE 600 WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597	X			

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WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597

Signatures

/s/ John R
Ranelli 02/14/2018

**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).

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- The range of prices for the shares of Class A Common Stock is from \$37.00 to \$37.44. Mr. Ranelli undertakes that he will provide, upon
- (1) request by the staff of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, full information regarding the number of securities sold at each separate price.
 - (2) Mr. Ranelli disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares of the Company's Common Stock and Class A Common Stock owned by the John R. Ranelli Trust dated 12/24/97 except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
 - (3) Restricted stock award granted under the Company's Nonemployee Director Equity Incentive Plan, as amended
 - (4) Stock options granted under the Company's Nonemployee Director Equity Incentive Plan, as amended.
 - (5) One-third of the total options granted will become exercisable at each of 6 months, 18 months and 30 months after February 13, 2018, the date of the grant.

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