

CHARLES &amp; COLVARD LTD

Form 4

May 20, 2016

**FORM 4**
**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SYKES OLLIN B

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
CHARLES & COLVARD LTD  
[CTHR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/18/2016

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

C/O CHARLES & COLVARD  
LTD, 170 SOUTHPORT DRIVE

(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

MORRISVILLE, NC 27560

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Common<br>Stock                       |                                         |                                                             |                                      | (A)<br>or<br>(D)                                                           | 348,484                                                                                                            | D                                                                    |                                         |

Common  
Stock

591,099

I

By Ollin  
Sykes TR  
FBO Sykes  
& Company  
PA 401(k)  
Profit  
Sharing Plan  
UA Jan 01,  
1985 <sup>(1)</sup>

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|              |        |   |                                               |
|--------------|--------|---|-----------------------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 10,599 | I | By SEP IRA                                    |
| Common Stock | 14,787 | I | By spouse                                     |
| Common Stock | 918    | I | By Sykesco Investment Partners <sup>(2)</sup> |
| Common Stock | 17,323 | I | By ROTH IRA                                   |
| Common Stock | 475    | I | By IRA                                        |

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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 1.1                                                 | 05/18/2016                           |                                                    | A                              | 45,454<br>(3)                                                                           | 05/18/2017 05/18/2026                                    | common stock                                                  | 45,454                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                             | Relationships                    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                                                                                            | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| SYKES OLLIN B<br>C/O CHARLES & COLVARD LTD<br>170 SOUTHPORT DRIVE<br>MORRISVILLE, NC 27560 | X                                |

## Signatures

/s/ Kyle S. Macemore,  
Attorney-In-Fact

05/20/2016

\_\_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).

Ollin Sykes is the trustee of the Sykes & Company PA 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan UA Jan 01, 1985. The aggregate shares of the Issuer's

- (1) common stock reported as held by the plan include 82,377 shares held in Mr. Sykes's personal 401(k) account under the plan. Mr. Sykes disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (2) Mr. Sykes is a partner within this investment partnership and has shared voting and investment power over these shares.
- (3) This option vests and becomes exercisable on the date of the 2017 Annual Shareholders' Meeting.

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