

STAGE STORES INC

Form 15-12B

August 24, 2001

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549  
FORM 15

CERTIFICATION AND NOTICE OF TERMINATION  
OF REGISTRATION UNDER SECTION 12(g) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 OR  
SUSPENSION OF DUTY TO FILE REPORTS UNDER  
SECTIONS 13 AND 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES  
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934.

Commission File Number 001-14035  
STAGE STORES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter  
10201 MAIN STREET, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77025  
(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code,  
of registrant's principal executive offices)  
COMMON STOCK (\$0.01 PAR VALUE)

(Title of each class of securities covered by this Form)  
NONE

(Titles of all other classes of securities for which a duty to file reports  
under section 13(a) or 15(d) remains

Please place an X in the box(es) to designate the  
appropriate rule provision(s) relied upon to terminate or  
suspend the duty to file reports:

Rule 12g-4(a)(1)(i) ?  
Rule 12h-3(b)(1)(i) ?  
Rule 12g-4(a)(1)(ii) ?  
Rule 12h-3(b)(1)(ii) ?  
Rule 12g-4(a)(2)(i) ?  
Rule 12h-3(b)(2)(i) ?  
Rule 12g-4(a)(2)(ii) ?  
Rule 12h-3(b)(2)(ii) ?

Rule 15d-6 ?

Approximate number of holders of record as of the  
certification or notice date: NONE.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities  
Exchange Act of 1934 Stage Stores, Inc. has caused this  
certification/notice to be signed on its behalf by the  
undersigned duly authorized person.

Date: August 24, 2001 By: /s/ Michael E. McCreery

Michael E. McCreery  
Executive Vice President  
And Financial Officer