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## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addres	1 0	n*	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC [ ECPG ]		tionship of Reporting Per all applicable)	son(s) to Issuer
<u>Teets John Ch</u>	<u>ristopner</u>			X	Director	10% Owner
,					Officer (give title	Other (specify
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)		below)	below)
C/O RED MOUN	NTAIN CAPITAL	PARTNERS LLC	08/24/2007			
10100 SANTA M	IONICA BOULE	VARD, SUITE				
925			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	idual or Joint/Group Filin	g (Check Applicable
(Street)				X	Form filed by One Rep	orting Person
LOS ANGELES	CA	90067			Form filed by More tha Person	n One Reporting
(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. Transa Code ( 8)		4. Securities Disposed Of 5)			Securities Beneficially	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)
Common Stock	08/24/2007		A		6,900	Α	\$ <mark>0</mark>	6,900	<b>D</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	

### Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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. Transa Code ( 8)		5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) of Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	ative rities ired osed . 3, 4	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	ate	7. Title Amoun Securi Under Deriva Securi and 4)	nt of ties ying tive ty (Instr. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

### **Explanation of Responses:**

1. On August 24, 2007, Encore Capital Group, Inc. ("Encore") granted 6,900 deferred issuance restricted stock units (the "RSUs") to J. Christopher Teets under the Encore 2005 Stock Incentive Plan in connection with his service as a member of Encore's board of directors. Each RSU represents the right to receive one share of Encore common stock. The RSUs are subject to vesting. 50% of the RSUs will vest on September 23, 2008, and the remaining 50% will vest on August 23, 2009.

<u>/s/ J. Christopher Teets</u>
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Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

08/28/2007

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

\* 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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