FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  PELTZ NELSON						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC [ (ECPG)									S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director X 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O TRIARC COMPANIES, INC. 280 PARK AVENUE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/21/2006									Officer (give title Other (specify below)					
Street) NEW YORK NY 10017 (City) (State) (Zip)					- 4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
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			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Cod	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
							Cod	de V	Aı	mount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 and							
Common	Stock	s 229,655 D \$15.55 94					944,36	1,369 I			By Ltd Partnership <sup>(1)(2)</sup>									
Common	mmon Stock 0			03/21/200	3/21/2006				3	2	220,919	D	\$15.55	875,881		I		By Madison West <sup>(2)(3)</sup>		
Common	Stock													101,27	275 I By Triarc <sup>(2)</sup>			2)(4)		
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Derivative Conversion Date Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) i		Exe ) if a			5. Numb of Derivativ Securitie Acquirer (A) or Dispose of (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)		ative rities ired sed	6. Date Expirat (Month	tion D		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		-	deriv Secu Bene Owne Follo Repo	owing orted saction(s)	10. Owner Form: Direct or Indi (I) (Inst	ship of Ind Benef (D) Owner rect (Instr.	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. All such shares are owned by the Peltz Family Limited Partnership, an entity in which Mr. Peltz's spouse is the sole General Partner. Mr. Peltz was formerly a general partner of the partnership but has transferred his interest in the partnership to his spouse.
- 2. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- 3. All such shares are held by Madison West Associates Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Triarc Companies, Inc. (Triarc). Mr. Peltz is an officer, director and significant stockholder of Triarc.
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## Remarks:

<u>/s/ Peltz, Nelson</u> <u>03/22/2006</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Da

Date

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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