FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Lund George</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC [ ECPG ]							Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 8875 AERO DRIVE, #200					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/27/2008								Officer ( below)	give title	Other below)	specify	
(Street) SAN DIEGO CA 92123			92123	4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Indiv Line) X	′				
(City) (State) (Zip)																	
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																
Date			Transaction ate Month/Day/	Execution Date,		Code (Instr.					i F	i. Ownership Form: Direct D) or Indirect I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
								Code	Amoun	mount (A) or (D)		ce	Transaction (Instr. 3 a			(instr. 4)	
	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)	Conversion Date E or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if		3A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Yea	Code		Derivative Securitie Acquired or Dispos of (D) (Ins	Derivative I		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		B. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Sha	er		(Instr. 4)	1(3)		
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$12.12	08/27/2008		A		250,000		(1)	08/27/2018	Common Stock	250,0	000	\$0	250,000	D		

## Explanation of Responses:

1. Three fifths of the option becomes exercisable on the first anniversary of the date of grant and the remaining two fifths becomes exercisable in equal installments on the second and third anniversaries of the date of grant.

/s/ J. Brandon Black, Attorneyin-Fact for George Lund

08/28/2008

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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