

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*</p> <p><u>Hanford Timothy</u></p> <hr/> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p><u>8875 AERO DRIVE, #200</u></p> <hr/> <p>(Street)</p> <p><u>SAN DIEGO CA 92123</u></p> <hr/> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p><u>ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC [ECPG]</u></p> <hr/> <p>3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)</p> <p><u>06/09/2011</u></p> <hr/> <p>4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner</p> <p>Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)</p> <hr/> <p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person</p> <p>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>
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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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			
Common Stock	06/09/2011		j ⁽¹⁾		23,214	D	(1)	0	D	
Common Stock	06/09/2011		j ⁽¹⁾		23,214	A	(1)	23,214	I	By Affiliation ⁽²⁾
Common Stock								3,971,305	I	By Limited Partnership ⁽³⁾

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	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					

Explanation of Responses:

- These shares represent RSUs that were granted to the Reporting Person as compensation for his service as a director of the Company. Pursuant to the Reporting Person's deferral election, the shares underlying the RSUs were paid on June 9, 2011, the effective date of the Reporting Person's resignation as a director of the Company. As a managing director of J.C. Flowers & Co. UK Ltd. ("JCF Ltd."), an affiliate of J.C. Flowers & Co. LLC ("JCF LLC"), the Reporting Person is party to an assignment agreement pursuant to which he was required to transfer, and did so transfer, such shares to JCF LLC upon payment thereof.
- Reflects shares of Encore's common stock held by JCF LLC. The Reporting Person is a managing director of JCF Ltd., an affiliate of JCF LLC, and through this pecuniary interest in an affiliate of JCF LLC, the Reporting Person may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of these shares. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares in excess of his pecuniary interest therein.
- Reflects shares of Encore's common stock held by JCF FPK I LP ("JCF FPK"), an affiliate of JCF LLC and JCF Ltd. The Reporting Person is a limited partner of JCF FPK and a managing director of JCF Ltd., an affiliate of investment advisor JCF LLC, and through this pecuniary interest, the Reporting Person may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of these shares. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares in excess of his pecuniary interest therein.

/s/ Timothy Hanford 06/13/2011

** Signature of Reporting Person 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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