

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BARKLEY BARRY R (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP, INC. 8875 AERO DRIVE, #200 (Street) SAN DIEGO CA 92123 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC [ECPG]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/28/2006	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	

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	03/28/2006		S		400	D	\$15	66,206	I	By Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998
Common Stock	03/28/2006		S		1,000	D	\$15.092	65,206	I	By Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998
Common Stock	03/28/2006		S		1,000	D	\$15.139	64,206	I	By Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998
Common Stock	03/28/2006		S		2,000	D	\$15.14	62,206	I	By Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998
Common Stock	03/28/2006		S		1,000	D	\$15.143	61,206	I	By Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998
Common Stock	03/28/2006		S		1,000	D	\$15.149	60,206	I	By Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998
Common Stock	03/28/2006		S		3,000	D	\$15.15	57,206	I	By Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998
Common Stock	03/28/2006		S		1,000	D	\$15.157	56,206	I	By Barry R. Barkley Trust dated 10/14/1998

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

1. Title of Derivative Explanation (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion Date of Response Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code V Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	(A) Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Date Exercisable (Month/Day/Year)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	Title and Amount of Securities Underlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
<p>Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.</p> <p>* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).</p> <p>** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).</p> <p>Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.</p> <p>Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB Number.</p>												
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Number of Shares			

/s/ Daniel Murphy, Attorney-in-Fact
 ** Signature of Reporting Person

03/29/2006
 Reported Transaction(s) Date (Instr. 4)