FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] <u>Hannam Wendy</u>				2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 09/28/2015 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC [ECPG]										
(Last) 3111 CAMINO D SUITE 103	(First) (Middle) AMINO DEL RIO NORTH 103				4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director Officer (give title below)		10% Owner Other (specify below)		6.1	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
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				Table	I - Non-De	rivative S	Securities Beneficially Owne	d						
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)						2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)			4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
							curities Beneficially Owned options, convertible securiti	ies)						
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)				2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and (Instr. 4)	erivative Sec	vative Security 4. Convers Exercise F of Derivati		ice Form: Direct (D) or		6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	1	
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Explanation of Responses: Remarks:

No securities are beneficially owned.

/s/ Michael Chin, Attorney-in-Fact for Wendy Hannam 10/06/2015

** 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 5 (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). Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure. 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.

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all men by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Gregory L. Call, Stephen Dietz, Derek Higginbotham, Michael Chin and Kyle Smith,

(1) prepare, execute in the undersigned's name and on the undersigned's behalf, and submit to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Form ID, i

(2) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Encore Capital Group, Inc. (the "Company"), any ar

(3) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such report or form and t

(4) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the bes

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, a

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file reports or forms pursuant to Section 16 with respect IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 15th day of September, 2015.

By: /s/ Wendy Hannam Print Name: Wendy Hannam