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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Nume and Address of Reporting reison			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC</u> [ECPG]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) (8875 AERO DRIVE, #200		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2009	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)		
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable		
(Street) SAN DIEGO	CA	92123		Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Parage		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Person		

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. Transa Code (8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)
Common Stock	07/01/2009(1)		A		1,966	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	5,934 ⁽²⁾⁽⁴⁾	D	
Common Stock								13,417 ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	I	By Self as Trustee of the Wilcox Family Trust

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

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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. Transa Code (8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	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	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. On July 1, 2009, Encore Capital Group, Inc. ("Encore") issued 1,966 restricted stock units ("RSUs") to Warren Wilcox, under the Encore 2005 Stock Incentive Plan, in connection with Mr. Wilcox's service on Encore's board of directors.

2. These shares are in the form of RSUs. Each RSU represents the right to receive one share of Encore common stock upon settlement. These RSUs are fully vested.

3. These shares are in the form of RSUs. Each RSU represents the right to receive one share of Encore common stock upon settlement. 3,600 of these RSUs will vest on November 14, 2009. The remaining 9,817 of these RSUs are fully vested.

4. 3,968 RSUs were inadvertantly previously reported as indirectly owned by the Wilcox Family Trust but were actually issued to Mr. Wilcox directly and are included in the total held directly in this Form 4.

<u>/s/ Florentino Zamora, Jr.,</u> <u>Attorney in Fact for Warren</u>

Wilcox

07/02/2009

** 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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