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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 I Marie and Address of Reporting Leson			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC [ ECPG ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
			[	X	Director	10% Owner		
(Last) (Eirst) (Middlo)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2011		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)						
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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)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Disposed Of 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)		(11311.4)
Common Stock	01/03/2011 <sup>(1)</sup>		A		630	A	\$. <mark>00</mark>	10,437 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	

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. Transa Code ( 8)		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			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

Explanation of Responses:

1. On January 3, 2011, Encore Capital Group, Inc. ("Encore") issued 630 restricted stock units ("RSUs") to H Ronald Weissman, under the Encore 2005 Stock Incentive Plan, in connection with Mr. Weissman'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. The RSUs are fully vested.

<u>/s/ Florentino Zamora, Jr.,</u> <u>Attorney-in-Fact for H Ronald</u> 01/05/2011 <u>Weissman</u>

\*\* 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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