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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Grinberg Paul			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC [ECPG]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) 8875 AERO I	(Last) (First) (Middle) 875 AERO DRIVE, SUITE 200		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/05/2011	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive VP, CFO & Treasurer		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
SAN DIEGO, CA 92123				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State) (Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			ed of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	07/05/2011		M	4,865	A	\$ 2.89	203,597	D	
Common Stock	07/05/2011		M	1	A	\$ 16.19	203,598	D	
Common Stock	07/05/2011		S <u>(1)</u>	6,210	D	\$ 31.36 (2)	197,388	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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 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. Transacti 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.89	07/05/2011		M	4,865	03/09/2011	03/09/2019	Common Stock	4,865
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.19	07/05/2011		M	1	11/01/2008	11/01/2015	Common Stock	1

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Grinberg Paul

8875 AERO DRIVE, SUITE 200 Executive VP, CFO & Treasurer SAN DIEGO, CA 92123

Signatures

/s/ Ronald E. Naves, Jr., Attorney-in-Fact for Paul Grinberg

07/07/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) The sale reported was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on September 24, 2010.

(2)

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The shares were sold in multiple transactions on July 5, 2011 at per share prices ranging from \$31.19 to \$31.57, inclusive. The price reported reflects the weighted average sale price for the transactions. The reporting person undertakes to supply the Staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request.

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