ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC

Form 4

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FORM	4		OMB APPROVAL				
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Form 5 obligation may continue See Instruction 1(b).	Section 17(a) of the	e Public Utility Holding Company Act of 19 of the Investment Company Act of 19	f 1935 or Section				
(Print or Type R	esponses)						
MESDAG WILLEM Symb		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
		ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC [ECPG]	(Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify				
10100 SANTA MONICA 12/01/2016 BOULEVARD, SUITE 925							
	(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person				
LOS ANGEI	LES, CA 90067		_X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State) (Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	any	emed 3. 4. Securities Acquired from Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) Or	5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s)				
Common		Code V Amount (D) Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Stock	12/01/2016	A $\frac{1,101}{(1)}$ A $\frac{4}{26.95}$	38,998 D				
Common Stock			RMP - See Footnote 1,332,036 I and Remarks (2)				
Common Stock			54,600 I RMCP - See				

Footnote and

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Remarks (3)

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)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	.	ate	Under	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships						
reporting owner runner reduces		Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
	MESDAG WILLEM 10100 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD SUITE 925 LOS ANGELES, CA 90067	X							
	RED MOUNTAIN CAPITAL MANAGEMENT INC 10100 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD SUITE 925 LOS ANGELES, CA 90067				Please refer to Remarks below.				
	RED MOUNTAIN CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC 10100 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD SUITE 925 LOS ANGELES, CA 90067				Please refer to Remarks below.				
	RMCP GP LLC 10100 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD SUITE 925 LOS ANGELES, CA 90067				Please refer to Remarks below.				

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RED MOUNTAIN PARTNERS, L.P. 10100 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD SUITE 925 LOS ANGELES, CA 90067

Please refer to Remarks below.

Signatures

/s/ Willem Mesdag (on behalf of himself and the Other Reporting Persons)

12/01/2016

**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).
- Grant to Willem Mesdag, for service on the Issuer's board of directors, of deferred stock units under the terms of a non-employee director deferred compensation plan established under the 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan. Deferred stock units will be converted into shares of Issuer common stock on a one-for-one basis upon distribution. The distribution of shares of common stock will occur within 10 business days following the date Mr. Mesdag is no longer a member of the Issuer's Board of Directors.
- (2) These shares are held directly by Red Mountain Partners, L.P. ("RMP").
- (3) These shares are held directly by Red Mountain Capital Partners, LLC ("RMCP").

Remarks:

This Form 4 is jointly filed by (i) RMP, (ii) RMCP GP LLC ("RMCP GP"), (iii) RMCP, (iv) Red Mountain Capital Management Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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