Hercules Capital, Inc. Form 4 March 14, 2017

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

1(b).

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Harris Mark R Issuer Symbol Hercules Capital, Inc. [HTGC] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction 10% Owner (Month/Day/Year) Director Other (specify Officer (give title C/O HERCULES CAPITAL, 03/13/2017 below) INC., 400 HAMILTON AVENUE Chief Financial Officer **SUITE 310** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

PALO ALTO, CA 94301

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Reneficially Owned

• •		Table 1 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, of Deficiciany Owned								
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties A	cquired	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of	
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)			Securities	Ownership	Indirect		
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	(D) or	Ownership	
							Following	Indirect (I)	(Instr. 4)	
							Reported	(Instr. 4)		
					(A)		Transaction(s)			
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Restricted Stock Units	03/13/2017		A	734	A	\$ 14.85	35,921 <u>(1)</u>	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)

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	of ng s	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	umber		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Harris Mark R C/O HERCULES CAPITAL, INC. 400 HAMILTON AVENUE SUITE 310 PALO ALTO, CA 94301

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/Melanie Grace, Attorney-in-Fact for Mark R. Harris

03/14/2017

**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).

Includes additional Dividend Shares relating to deemed reinvested dividend equivalent rights that accrued on Restricted Stock Units

(RSUs) previously granted. Such additional Dividend Shares are in the form of additional RSUs vest and are settled at the same time as the RSUs in respect of which the dividend equivalent rights accrued. Each such additional Dividend Share RSU is the economic equivalent of one share of Hercules Capital, Inc. common stock.

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