#### **EPPLER KLAUS**

Form 4

September 21, 2012

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

**OMB** 

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10% Owner

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **EPPLER KLAUS** 

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Ascena Retail Group, Inc. [ASNA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X\_ Director

(Month/Day/Year) 09/20/2012

(Check all applicable)

C/O ASCENA RETAIL GROUP, INC., 30 DUNNIGAN DRIVE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

Officer (give title Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

D

SUFFERN, NY 10901

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Transaction(s)

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

16,296

Common

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)

4.

1. Title of Derivative Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

5. Number Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date

6. Date Exercisable and

7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securiti Acquire (A) or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)	d of	(Month/Day/Year	·)	(Instr. 3 and	4)
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Share
Option to Buy	\$ 17.09 (1)						12/01/2006(3)	12/01/2015	Common	20,00
Option To Buy	\$ 14.99 (1)						09/18/2009(3)	09/18/2018	Common	15,00
Option To Buy	\$ 17.67 (1)						09/24/2010(3)	09/24/2019	Common	5,000
Option To Buy	\$ 23.39 (1)						09/23/2011(3)	09/23/2020	Common	10,00
Option To Buy	\$ 24.63 (2)						09/22/2012(3)	09/22/2021	Common	10,00
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>	09/20/2012		A	5,000		<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common	5,000

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships		
·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
EPPLER KLAUS C/O ASCENA RETAIL GROUP, INC. 30 DUNNIGAN DRIVE SUFFERN, NY 10901	X			

## **Signatures**

Mary Beth Riley, by power of attorney

\*\*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) Granted under the Company's 2001 Incentive Stock Plan.
- (2) Granted under the Company's 2010 Incentive Stock Plan.
- (3) Exercisable in three equal installments with the first installment on the date indicated.
- (4) Restricted stock units issued under the Company's 2010 Stock Incentive Plan

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(5) These units vest in three equal installments on September 20, 2013, September 20, 2014 and September 20, 2015

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