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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad Grinberg Pau	•	rting Person *	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)	Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify		
3111 CAMIN NORTH, SU		O	11/05/2012	below) below) Executive VP, CFO & Treasurer		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
SAN DIEGO) CA 92108		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
	,			Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I Non Derivative Committee As	animal Disposed of an Danoficially Own		

(City)	(State)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	11/05/2012		M	6,110	A	\$ 10.92	206,075	D	
Common Stock	11/05/2012		S <u>(1)</u>	11,794	D	\$ 26.03	194,281	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f 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)	\$ 10.92	11/05/2012		M	6,110	08/23/2008	08/23/2017	Common Stock	6,110

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Grinberg Paul 3111 CAMINO DEL RIO NORTH SUITE 1300 SAN DIEGO, CA 92108

Executive VP, CFO & Treasurer

Signatures

/s/ Melissa A. Resslar, Attorney-in-Fact for Paul Grinberg

11/07/2012

**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 sales reported were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on June 15, 2012.

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