

ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Executive VP, CFO & Treasurer

3111 CAMINO DEL RIO NORTH,
 SUITE 1300

02/10/2014

(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
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

SAN DIEGO, CA 92108

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount or Price					
Common Stock	02/10/2014		M		11,000 <u>(1)</u>	A	\$ 16.19	175,136	D	
Common Stock	02/10/2014		S		10,500 <u>(1)</u>	D	\$ 48.53 <u>(2)</u>	164,636	D	
Common Stock	02/10/2014		S		500 <u>(1)</u>	D	\$ 49.17 <u>(3)</u>	164,136	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. Transaction 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-qualified stock option (right to buy)	\$ 16.19	02/10/2014		M	11,000 (1)	(4) 11/01/2015	Common Stock	11,000

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/ Brandt Schmidt, Attorney-in-Fact for Paul Grinberg 02/12/2014

__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 transactions reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on November 20, 2013.
- This price represents a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$48.16 to \$48.98 inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Encore Capital Group, Inc. ("Encore"), any security holder of Encore, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares held at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.
- (2) This price represents a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$49.00 to \$49.41 inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Encore, any security holder of Encore, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares held at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.
- (3) This price represents a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$49.00 to \$49.41 inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Encore, any security holder of Encore, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares held at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.

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(4) The option vested in three equal installments on November 1, 2006, 2007 and 2008.

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