

ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
Vecchione Kenneth

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC  
[ECPG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President & CEO

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
3111 CAMINO DEL RIO  
NORTH, SUITE 103  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/15/2015

SAN DIEGO, CA 92108  
(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V Amount		
Common Stock	12/15/2015		P	1,000	A \$ 28.52 (1)	158,635	D
Common Stock	12/16/2015		P	1,000	A \$ 29.9 (2)	159,635	D
Common Stock	12/16/2015		P	125	A \$ 30.19	125	I By son

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Vecchione Kenneth 3111 CAMINO DEL RIO NORTH SUITE 103 SAN DIEGO, CA 92108	X		President & CEO	

## Signatures

/s/ Greg Call, Attorney-in-Fact for Kenneth Vecchione  
 Signature of Reporting Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 12/17/2015

## 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 price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$28.42 to \$28.58, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Encore Capital Group, Inc., any security holder of Encore Capital Group, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
  - (2) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$29.78 to \$30.01, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Encore Capital Group, Inc., any security holder of Encore Capital Group, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.

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