CLARK JONATHAN C

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1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading CLARK JONATHAN C Issuer Symbol **ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC**

(Middle)

below)

[ECPG]

(Check all applicable) 10% Owner

Executive VP, CFO & Treasurer

3111 CAMINO DEL RIO

NORTH, SUITE 103

(First)

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

03/09/2018

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Director

X_ Officer (give title

Filed(Month/Day/Year) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

SAN DIEGO, CA 92108

(City) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Ownership (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) **Following** (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount Price (D) Common 10,393 \$0 03/09/2018 A Α 75,751 D

(1) Stock Common 03/09/2018 $F^{(2)}$ 5,484 D 70,267 D Stock

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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Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Other Director 10% Owner Officer

CLARK JONATHAN C 3111 CAMINO DEL RIO NORTH **SUITE 103** SAN DIEGO, CA 92108

Executive VP, CFO & Treasurer

Signatures

/s/ Greg Call, Attorney-in-Fact for Jonathan Clark

03/13/2018

**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).
- Grant to the reporting person on March 9, 2018 of restricted stock units ("RSUs") under the Encore Capital Group, Inc. 2017 Incentive
- (1) Award Plan. The RSUs are subject to vesting and vest in annual installments over a three-year period, with one-third vesting on March 9, 2019, one-third vesting on March 9, 2020, and the remaining one-third vesting on March 9, 2021.
- (2) Disposal relates to the withholding of securities for the payment of the tax liability incident to the vesting of stock awards.

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