Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT	OF CHANGES IN	I BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Herman Fred E.</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RENT A CENTER INC DE [RCII]								ck all applic Directo	Director		10% Owner		
(Last) 5501 HE	`	irst) ΓERS DRIVE	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/05/2016									X Officer (give title below) Other below EVP - Shared Services			
(Street) PLANO TX 75024				4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line	X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)											Form filed by More than One Reporti Person				ing
		Tal	ble I - No	n-Deri	ivativ	re Se	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or Ber	neficiall	y Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transc Date (Month/D				Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 3, 4) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4)			Beneficia Owned F	es Fo ally (D) Following (I)		Form: Direct D) or Indirect I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership					
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3	ion(s)			Instr. 4)	
Common 02/05.				5/201	2016		A		4,971(1)) A	\$0.000	0 14	14,045		D			
			Table II -								osed of, convertib			Owned		,		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	te Execution I	Date, Transac Code (I				ve es d ed nstr.	6. Date Exercis Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		•	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly Ow Fo Dir or (I)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	le V	(A)		Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$10.34	02/05/2016			A		19,251		02/05/201	7 ⁽²⁾	02/05/2026	Common	19,251	\$0.0000	19,25	1	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents restricted stock units which vest upon completion of three years of continuous employment with the issuer from February 5, 2016.
- 2. Options vest ratably over 4 years beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant and becoming fully exercisable on the 4th anniversary of the date of grant (25% of the total number of shares granted vesting on each such anniversary date). Options expire 10 years from the date of grant.

/s/ Fred E. Herman

02/08/2016

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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