FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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	nd Address of ELL J V		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RENT A CENTER INC DE [RCII]									o of Reportin licable) tor	Reporting Person(s) to Issuer ble) 10% Owner						
(Last) 5501 HE	Last) (First) (Middle) 5501 HEADQUARTERS DRIVE						Earli 008	est Tran	saction (Montl	h/Day/Year)		Offic belov	er (give title v)		Other (s below)	specify		
(Street) PLANO TX 75024 (City) (State) (Zip)					_ 4. It	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(5)			on-Deriv	vative	Sec	uriti	ies Ac	auired	I. Di	sposed o	of. or Be	neficia	llv Owne	d				
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									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		ted action(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common 08/12/20						008			М		7,500	A	\$12.2	2	7,500		D		
Common 08/12/20						008		S		7,500	D	\$23.71	07	0	0				
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					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Director Stock Option (Right to Purchase)	\$12.2	08/12/2008			M			7,500	01/04/19	999	01/04/2009	Common	7,500	\$0	0		D		

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

J.V. Lentell

08/13/2008

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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