FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  SPEESE MARK E					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RENT A CENTER INC DE [ RCII ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) 5501 HE	(Fin	st) (NERS DRIVE	Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/24/2012									X	Offic	icer (give title		Other below	(specify
(Street) PLANO (City)				4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Da						ay/Year		i. Indi ine) X	Form	or Joint/Grou filed by One filed by Mon	e Rep	oorting Per	son	
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye					Execution Date,			Ī				ecurities Acquired (A) or losed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
								c	ode	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(inst	r. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common 08/24/201				12	2			S		200,000	D	\$36.0	112	4	15,677		Ι	By Spouse	
Common							$\perp$							1,0	02,578		D		
Common															2	8,594		I	By children's trust
Common															408,646			I	by GRAT
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)	Execution Date,		5. Number of Derivativ Securitie Acquired (A) or Disposec of (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)		tive ties red sed 3, 4	Expira (Mont	ation ∣ h/Day		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)  Amount or Number of Title Shares		of Der Sec (Ins	Price ivative urity tr. 5)	derivative ative Securities ity Beneficially		10. Dwnership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr.	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

**Explanation of Responses:** 

<u>/s/ Mark E. Speese</u> <u>08/27/2012</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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