FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington,	D.C. 20549	
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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Short Maureen B					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RENT A CENTER INC DE [ RCII ]									(Chec	ationship of Reportir call applicable) Director Officer (give title		10% Ow		ner	
(Last) 5501 HE	(Fir	rst) (N ΓERS DRIVE	Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/25/2022  X Officer (give title below) CFO  CFO												specify			
(Street) PLANO	TX	<b>S</b> 7	5024		4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Indi Line) X	Form	ridual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting				
(City)	(Sta	ate) (Z	Zip)												Perso					
		Table	I - No	n-Deriva	tive S	Secu	rities	Acq	uired,	Dis	posed of	, or E	Benefi	cially	/ Own	ed				
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 Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)				Securit Benefic Owned	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		n: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
							Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or Pri	ce	Transa	action(s) 3 and 4)						
COMMON STOCK			02/25/2	2022				A		6,914(1)	A	\$2	29.05	.05 111,961 <sup>(2)</sup>			D			
COMMON STOCK			02/26/2	2/26/2022				F		461 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	\$2	29.39	.39 111,500(2)			D			
		Tal									osed of, convertib				Owne	d				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	vative Conversion Date Execution Date, irity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any		ion Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Expirat (Month	ion Da		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ins 3 and 4)		De Se (In	Price of rivative curity str. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Owne Form: Direct or Ind (I) (Ins	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	er							

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Represents restricted stock units which vest annually in one-third increments on February 25 of each of the next three years provided that the reporting person has been continuously employed by the issuer as of each such vesting date.
- 2. Includes shares of common stock and unvested restricted stock units.
- 3. Number of shares withheld to cover taxes with respect to time-based restricted stock units which vested on February 26, 2022 (upon completion of one year of continuous employment from grant date of February 26, 2021).

## Remarks:

/s/ Bryan Pechersky, attorney-03/01/2022 in-fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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).

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