FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Davids Ann L 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 02/21/2018			nent	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RENT A CENTER INC DE [RCII]							
(Last) 5501 HEADQ	(First)	(Middle)			(Check	tionship of Reporting Perso all applicable) Director Officer (give title	on(s) to Issue 10% Own Other (spe	er	(Mon	nth/Day/Year)	ate of Original Filed /Group Filing (Check
(Street) PLANO (City)	TX (State)	75024 (Zip)			X	below) EVP - Chief Marketin	below) '	Cony		icable Line) Form filed by	y One Reporting Person y More than One
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)						int of Securities ially Owned (Instr. 4)			4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Common						960	D				
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)											
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) 2. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye		ate	Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conve or Exe	rcise	Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Deriva Securi	tive	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Ann L. Davids

02/23/2018

** 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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