FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* York James E.						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol RENT A CENTER INC DE [ RCII ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner					
TOTK Junes L.														Directo Officer	r (give title		10% Ow Other (s	· I	
(Last) (First) (Middle)					3. [	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)								below)			below)	pecity	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 5501 HEADQUARTERS DRIVE					10/	10/03/2016								E	EVP - RTO Domestic				
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(Street)					4. I	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
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(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																
		Tal	ble I - Non	-Deriv	ativ	e Se	curities	s Ac	quired, D	isp	osed o	f, or Ber	neficially	/ Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D				Execution Date,		r, Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ties Acquired (A) or I Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	s Form Illy (D) o ollowing (I) (Ir		n: Direct   I or Indirect   I nstr. 4)   (	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership					
							Code V	,	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)			
	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)	erivative   Conversion   Date   Execution Date, ecurity   or Exercise   (Month/Day/Year)   if any			Transaction Of Ded (Instr. 8) See Acc (A) Dis		of Ex		5. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s ally	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
				С	Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisable		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Employee Stock Option (Right to Purchase)	\$12.64	10/03/2016			A		10,000		10/03/2017 <sup>(1)</sup>	) 1	.0/03/2026	Common	10,000	\$0.0000	10,00	0	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. 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/ James E. York

10/03/2016

\*\* 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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