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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Blasquez Anthony J</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) 5501 HEADQUARTERS DRIVE  (Street) PLANO TX 75024  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>RENT A CENTER INC DE [ RCI ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>EVP, Rent-A-Center Business</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>01/14/2021</u>	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

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) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
COMMON STOCK	01/14/2021		I <sup>(1)</sup>		462.1 <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	D	\$48.8989	1,194.46 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	Company 401(k) Plan
COMMON STOCK	01/14/2021		I <sup>(1)</sup>		59.77 <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	D	\$48.8989	96.92 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	Company NQDC Plan
COMMON STOCK								44,398 <sup>(3)(4)</sup>	D	

**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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. 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. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Shares sold as the result of a previously established, automatic annual rebalancing requirement of the Company's 401(k) Plan and Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation ("NQDC") Plan, as applicable.
- Shares are rounded to the nearest one-hundredth of a share of Common Stock. 401(k) and NQDC balances following the transaction are as of January 18, 2021.
- Includes shares of Common Stock and unvested restricted stock units.
- Includes 38,206 shares of Common Stock that were held by the reporting person prior to his becoming an executive officer of the Company and were inadvertently omitted from his Form 3, filed on June 11, 2020.

**Remarks:**

/s/ Norma Garcia, attorney-in-fact 01/19/2021

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

\* 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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