FORM 4

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

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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

Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Short Maureen B						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)						
Short Maureen B					- 1 -										Director			10% Ow	ner		
(Last)	(=	irst)	(Middle)		3.	Date	of Earliest 7	ransa	action (M	onth/E	h/Day/Year)				Officer ( below)	give title		Other (s below)	pecify		
` ′	,	•	(Middle)		04	04/01/2019								EVP - Chief Financial Officer							
5501 HEADQUARTERS DRIVE																					
					-  -										C. Individual or Joint/Crown Filips (Charle As: 15-1-15-						
(Street)					4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
PLANO TX 75024														X Form filed by One Reporting Person							
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(City)	(City) (State) (Zip)																				
		Та	ble I - Noi	n-Deri	ivati	ve S	ecurities	Ac	quired,	, Dis	posed of,	or Ben	efici	ally	Owned						
1. Title of	Security (Inst	tr. 3)		2. Trans	sactio										5. Amoun				. Nature of		
				Date (Month/	/Day/Y	Execution Date, ay/Year) if any			Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a Code (Instr.				3, 4 ar	nd 5)	Securities Beneficia				direct eneficial		
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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction	4	4.		5. Number of		6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Ar			nd Amo	Amount 8. Price		9. Numbe	er of 10.	10.	11. Nature				
Derivative	Conversion	Date	3A. Deemed Execution D	ate, Ti	ransa		Derivative		Expiration Date		e	of Securities			Derivative	derivative	e	Ownership			
Security (Instr. 3) or Exercise Price of Derivative (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Year)					Code (	Instr.	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed		(Month/I	Day/Ye	ar)	ar) Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)			Security (Instr. 5)	Securities Beneficia		Form: Direct (D)			
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Purchase)																					
Employee								П					1	$\dashv$							
Stock													Ι.								
Option	\$20.87	04/01/2019			A		10,000 <sup>(3)</sup>		04/01/20	20 <sup>(2)</sup>	04/01/2029	Common	10,0	)00	\$0.0000	21,60	)1	D			
(Right to Purchase)																					

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- $1. \ Represents \ restricted \ stock \ units \ which \ vest \ upon \ completion \ of \ three \ years \ of \ continuous \ employment \ with \ the \ issuer \ from \ April \ 1, \ 2019.$
- 2. 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.
- 3. Option to purchase 10,000 shares of common stock granted upon the reporting person's promotion in accordance with the issuer's policy.

/s/ Maureen B. Short 04/03/2019

\*\* 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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