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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* KORST CHRISTOPHER A | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RENT A CENTER INC DE [RCII] | | | | | | | | eck all appl Direc | icable) or | 10% Owner | | ner | |
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| (Last) 5501 HE | , | rst) TERS DRIVE | (Middle) | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/06/2015 | | | | | | | | | ^ below | , | give title Oth belo | | респу | |
| (Street) PLANO TX 75024 | | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | e) <mark>X</mark> Form | | | | | |
| (City) | (St | ate) | (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | Person | | | | | |
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| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date) | | | | | | ar) E | A. Deemed xecution Date, any Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. r) 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | | Benefic Owned | ies ially Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | |
| | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Report Transa (Instr. 3 | ction(s) | | | Instr. 4) | | | | |
| Common 02/06/2 | | | | | 5/2015 | 2015 | | | A | | 2,424(1 |) A | \$0.00 | 00 1 | 17,153 | | D | | |
| Common | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 161 | | I I | 3y 401k | | |
| | | - | Table II - | | | | | | | | osed of, convertil | | | Owned | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da | Date, | 4. Transa Code (I 8) | | of | | 6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea | | • | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | | e Ov s Fo lly Di or (I) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisa | ble | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | | |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Purchase) | \$29.31 | 02/06/2015 | | | A | | 7,721 | | 02/06/20: | L6 ⁽²⁾ | 02/06/2025 | Common | 7,721 | \$0.0000 | 7,721 | L | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents restricted stock units which vest upon completion of three years of continuous employment with the issuer from January 31, 2015.
- 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.

02/0<u>6/2015</u> /s/ Christopher A. Korst

** 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).
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