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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Masih Ashish Issuer Symbol **ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC** (Check all applicable) [ECPG] 10% Owner (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 3111 CAMINO DEL RIO NORTH. 11/09/2018 President and CEO **SUITE 103** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SAN DIEGO, CA 92108 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Reneficially Owned

		Table 1 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, of Deficically Owned							
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securitie	es Ac	quired	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on(A) or Disp	osed	of (D)	Securities	Ownership	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4	and 5	5)	Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	(D) or	Ownership
							Following	Indirect (I)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported	(Instr. 4)	
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	11/09/2018		P	12,500	A	\$ 24.26	114,187	D	

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc		7. Titl		8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	ofNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			Secur	Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Masih Ashish 3111 CAMINO DEL RIO NORTH, SUITE 103 SAN DIEGO, CA 92108

President and CEO

Signatures

/s/ Greg Call, Attorney-in-Fact for Ashish Masih

11/11/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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