

PELTZ NELSON  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
PELTZ NELSON

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC  
[(ECPG)]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
C/O TRIARC COMPANIES,  
INC., 280 PARK AVENUE  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/21/2006

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

NEW YORK, NY 10017

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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) |   |                            |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|---|----------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |   |   |                            |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V   | Amount   |   |   |                            |
| Common Stock                    | 03/21/2006                           |  | S                              | 229,655   | D   | \$ 15.55   | 944,369   | I | By Ltd Partnership (1) (2) |
| Common Stock                    | 03/21/2006                           |  | S                              | 220,919   | D   | \$ 15.55   | 875,881   | I | By Madison West (2) (3)    |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 101,275   | I | By Triarc (2) (4)          |

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)

| 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | 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 |
| PELTZ NELSON<br>C/O TRIARC COMPANIES, INC.<br>280 PARK AVENUE<br>NEW YORK, NY 10017 | X             | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Peltz, Nelson                      03/22/2006

\_\_Signature of                      Date  
Reporting Person

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).
- (1) All such shares are owned by the Peltz Family Limited Partnership, an entity in which Mr. Peltz's spouse is the sole General Partner. Mr. Peltz was formerly a general partner of the partnership but has transferred his interest in the partnership to his spouse.
- (2) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (3) All such shares are held by Madison West Associates Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Triarc Companies, Inc. (Triarc). Mr. Peltz is an officer, director and significant stockholder of Triarc.
- (4) All such shares are held by Triarc. Mr. Peltz is an officer, director and significant stockholder of Triarc.

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