

ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC  
Form 8-K  
February 23, 2017

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

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FORM 8-K

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CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): February 23, 2017

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ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP, INC.  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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| Delaware<br>(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) | 000-26489<br>(Commission<br>File Number) | 48-1090909<br>(IRS Employer<br>Identification No.) |
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| 3111 Camino Del Rio North, Suite 103, San Diego,<br>California<br>(Address of Principal Executive Offices)<br>(877) 445-4581<br>(Registrant's telephone number, including area code) | 92108<br>(Zip Code) |
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- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 23, 2017, Encore Capital Group, Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for the fourth quarter and full fiscal year ended December 31, 2016. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference herein.

The information in Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the information contained in Exhibit 99.1, is being furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Item 2.02, and shall not be deemed to be “filed” for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by a specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press release dated February 23, 2017

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP, INC.

Date: February 23, 2017 /s/ Jonathan C. Clark

Jonathan C. Clark

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press release dated February 23, 2017