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Form 3

February 07, 2003

U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549

FORM 3

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or
Section 30(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*

PELTZ	NELSON	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)
C/O TRIARC COMPANIES, INC. 280 PARK AVENUE		
(Street)		
NEW YORK	NY	10017
(City)	(State)	(Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)

JANUARY 28, 2003

3. IRS Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an Entity (Voluntary)

4. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP, INC. (ECPG)

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

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
<input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)

6. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)

7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person
<input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person

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Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature (Instr.)
COMMON STOCK	602,318 (1)	(I) (6)	(1)
COMMON STOCK	625,609 (2)	(I) (6)	(2)

* If the Form is filed by more than one Reporting Person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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

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

3. Title and Amount of Securities

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	Amount or Number of Shares	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title		
Common Stock Warrants (right to buy)	Immed.	1/12/05	Common Stock	101,275 (3)	\$0.01
Series A Senior Cumulative Participating Convertible Preferred Stock	Immed.		Common Stock	1,871,150 (4)	\$0.50 (5)
Series A Senior Cumulative Participating Convertible Preferred Stock	Immed.		Common Stock	1,745,660 (2)	\$0.50 (5)

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) All such shares are held in the Nelson Peltz Children's Trust, an entity in which Mr. Peltz is a trustee.
- (2) All such shares are directly owned by Madison West Associates Corp. ("Madison West"), a wholly owned subsidiary of Triarc Companies, Inc. ("Triarc"). Mr. Peltz is an officer, director, and significant stockholder of Triarc.
- (3) All such warrants are held by Triarc.
- (4) All such shares of Series A Senior Cumulative Participating Convertible Preferred Stock are held by the Peltz Family Limited Partnership of which Mr.Peltz is a general partner.
- (5) Series A Senior Cumulative Participating Convertible Preferred Stock is convertible at the option of the holder at any time into shares of Encore's Common Stock at a conversion price of \$0.50 per share of Common Stock.
- (6) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person

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is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or any other purpose.

/s/ Nelson Peltz, by Robin R. Pruitt,
attorney in fact

February 7, 2003

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Note: File three copies of this form, one of which must be manually signed.
If space provided is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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