Ascena Retail Group, Inc.

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PEARCE RANDY L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Ascena Retail Group, Inc. [ASNA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director

Officer (give title

10% Owner

Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

C/O ASCENA RETAIL GROUP. INC., 933 MAC ARTHUR

(First)

(Street)

BOULEVARD

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

12/10/2016

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

D

MAHWAH, NJ 07430

(City) (State) (Zip) 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A)

or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common 12/10/2016 Code V Amount (D) Price M 364 D (1) 38,146

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative	Expiration D (Month/Day	ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price Derivat Securit (Instr. 5
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units (2)	(1)	12/10/2016	M	364	(3)	(3)	Common	364	\$ 0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
PEARCE RANDY L C/O ASCENA RETAIL GROUP, INC. 933 MAC ARTHUR BOULEVARD MAHWAH, NJ 07430	X					

Signatures

Mary Beth Riley by power of attorney 12/12/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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) Restricted stock units convert into common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) Granted under the Company's 2010 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (3) On December 10, 2015, the reporting person was granted 1,093 restricted stock units, vesting in three equal annual installments being on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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