Hercules Capital, Inc. Form 4 April 11, 2016

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **Bluestein Scott** Issuer Symbol Hercules Capital, Inc. [HTGC] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title C/O HERCULES CAPITAL, 04/10/2016 below) INC., 31 ST. JAMES AVENUE, Chief Investment Officer **SUITE 790** (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 BOSTON, MA 02116

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1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties A	cquired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	n(A) or D	ispose	d of (D)	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					()		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			C + V		or	ъ.	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
_			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price			
Common	04/10/2016		F	1,018	D	\$	241,245	D	
Stock	U 1 /10/2010		1	(1)	D	12.23	471,47	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	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	isable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9
	Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	onNumber Expiration I		Date	Amount of		Derivative	J
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					Coue v	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Bluestein Scott C/O HERCULES CAPITAL, INC. 31 ST. JAMES AVENUE, SUITE 790 BOSTON, MA 02116

Chief Investment Officer

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Signatures

/s/ Melanie Grace, Attorney-in-Fact for Scott Bluestein

04/11/2016

**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) Represents shares of common stock withheld to pay taxes applicable to the vesting of restricted stock on April 10, 2016.

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