

ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC
Form 8-K
October 20, 2003

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 17, 2003

Encore Capital Group, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

000-26489
(Commission File Number)

48-1090909
(I.R.S Employer
Identification No.)

5775 Roscoe Court
San Diego, California 92123
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(877) 445-4581
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

On October 17, 2003 the Company issued a press release announcing that the underwriters of its recent public offering of 5 million shares of common stock have exercised in full their over-allotment option to purchase an additional 750,000 shares of Encore's common stock from selling stockholders at \$11.00 per share, less the applicable underwriting discount. A copy of the press release is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein solely for purposes of this Item 9.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the exhibit, is furnished pursuant to Item 9 and shall not be deemed filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that Section. Furthermore, the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the exhibit, shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into the filings of Encore Capital Group, Inc. under the Securities Act of 1933.

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SIGNATURES

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 thereunto duly authorized.

ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP, INC.

Date: October 17, 2003

By /s/ Barry R. Barkley
Barry R. Barkley
Executive Vice President,
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit	Description
99.1	Press release dated October 17, 2003.