RAYDEN MICHAEL W

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

			Ascena Retail Group, Inc. [ASNA]			SNA]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last) C/O ASCE INC., 30 D	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/18/2012				_	_X Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) CEO, Tween Brands, Inc.				
				l(Month/Day/Year)				D. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year		Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common	10/18/2012			S	44,962 (1)	D	\$ 20.6408	64,347	D	
Common	10/18/2012			S	59,586	D	\$ 21.189 (2)	4,761	D	
Common								13,284	I (3)	See Footnote 1.

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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		tion Date		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Option To Buy	\$ 10.395 (4)					12/09/2010(5)	12/09/2019	Common	80,000	
Option To Buy	\$ 11.695 (4)					09/23/2011(5)	09/23/2020	Common	80,000	
Option To Buy	\$ 13.135 (4)					09/21/2012(5)	09/21/2021	Common	120,000	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(6)</u>					<u>(7)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common	77,970	
Option To Buy (4)	\$ 20.79					09/20/2013	09/20/2022	Common	80,000	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(8)</u> <u>(9)</u>					(10)	(10)	Common	47,576	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Reporting Owner Name / Address				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
RAYDEN MICHAEL W					

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C/O ASCENA RETAIL GROUP, INC. 30 DUNNIGAN DRIVE SUFFERN, NY 10901

CEO, Tween Brands, Inc.

Relationships

Signatures

/s/ Gene Wexler, Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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) Shares sold to pay taxes due upon vesting of restricted stock
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades ranging from \$21.16 to \$21.25. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. Detailed information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price will be provided upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer.
- (3) Shares by Diane Nye, Mr. Rayden's wife. Mr. Rayden disclaims ownership of these shares.
- (4) Granted under the Company's 2010 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (5) Exercisable in four equal installments with the first installment on the date indicated.
- (6) Each restricted stock unit ("RSU") represents a contingent right to receive one share of Ascena common stock.
- (7) The number of RSU's to be received will be based upon the percentage achievement by Ascena of certain financial performance targets for Ascena's fiscal years 2012, 2013 and 2014.
- (8) These shares of performance based stock were awarded under the Company's 2015 Long Term Incentive Plan (the "2015 LTIP").
- (9) Each restricted stock unit ("RSU") represents a contingent right to receive one share of Ascena common stock.
- (10) The number of RSU's to be received will be based upon the percentage of achievement by Ascena of certain financial performance targets for Ascena's fiscal year 2013, 2014 and 2015.

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