

ENCORE CAPITAL GROUP INC  
Form SC 13D/A  
April 23, 2007

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

**SCHEDULE 13D**

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
(Amendment No. 12)\*

Encore Capital Group, Inc.  
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock (\$.01 par value)  
(Title of Class of Securities)

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(CUSIP Number)

Stuart I. Rosen  
Senior Vice President and Associate General Counsel  
Triarc Companies, Inc.  
280 Park Avenue  
New York, New York 10017

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

April 20, 2007  
(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of §240.13d -1(e), (f) or (g), check the following box [ ☐ ].

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\* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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| (1) | <b>Name of Reporting Person<br/>I.R.S. Identification No. of<br/>Above Person</b>                          | Madison West Associates Corp. |
| (2) | <b>Check the Appropriate Box<br/>if a Member of a<br/>Group</b>                                            | (a)<br>(b) X                  |
| (3) | <b>SEC Use Only</b>                                                                                        |                               |
| (4) | <b>Source of Funds</b>                                                                                     | OO                            |
| (5) | <b>Check Box if Disclosure of<br/>Legal Proceedings is<br/>Required Pursuant to Items<br/>2(d) or 2(e)</b> | [ ]                           |
| (6) | <b>Citizenship or Place of<br/>Organization</b>                                                            | Delaware                      |
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|-----------------------------------------------------------|------|---------------------------------|---------|
| Number of<br>Shares                                       | (7)  | <b>Sole Voting Power</b>        | None    |
| Beneficially<br>Owned by Each<br>Reporting<br>Person With | (8)  | <b>Shared Voting Power</b>      | 875,881 |
|                                                           | (9)  | <b>Sole Dispositive Power</b>   | None,   |
|                                                           | (10) | <b>Shared Dispositive Power</b> | 875,881 |
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|------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| (11) | <b>Aggregate Amount<br/>Beneficially Owned by Each<br/>Reporting Person</b>          | 875,881 |
| (12) | <b>Check Box if the Aggregate<br/>Amount in Row (11) Excludes<br/>Certain Shares</b> | [ ]     |
| (13) | <b>Percent of Class Represented<br/>by Amount in Row (11)</b>                        | 3.8%*   |
| (14) | <b>Type of Reporting Person</b>                                                      | CO      |

\* Based on 22,782,477 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of February 5, 2007, as reported in the Company's Form 10-K, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 28, 2007.

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| <b>(1) Name of Reporting Person<br/>I.R.S. Identification No. of<br/>Above Person</b>                          | Triarc Companies, Inc.               |          |  |
| <b>(2) Check the Appropriate Box<br/>if a Member of a<br/>Group</b>                                            | (a)                                  |          |  |
|                                                                                                                | (b) X                                |          |  |
| <b>(3) SEC Use Only</b>                                                                                        |                                      |          |  |
| <b>(4) Source of Funds</b>                                                                                     |                                      | OO       |  |
| <b>(5) Check Box if Disclosure of<br/>Legal Proceedings is<br/>Required Pursuant to Items<br/>2(d) or 2(e)</b> |                                      | [ ]      |  |
| <b>(6) Citizenship or Place of<br/>Organization</b>                                                            |                                      | Delaware |  |
| Number of                                                                                                      | <b>(7) Sole Voting Power</b>         | None     |  |
| Shares                                                                                                         |                                      |          |  |
| Beneficially                                                                                                   | <b>(8) Shared Voting Power</b>       | 977,156  |  |
| Owned by Each                                                                                                  |                                      |          |  |
| Reporting                                                                                                      | <b>(9) Sole Dispositive Power</b>    | None     |  |
| Person With                                                                                                    |                                      |          |  |
|                                                                                                                | <b>(10) Shared Dispositive Power</b> | 977,156  |  |
| <b>(11) Aggregate Amount<br/>Beneficially Owned by Each<br/>Reporting Person</b>                               |                                      | 977,156  |  |
| <b>(12) Check Box if the Aggregate<br/>Amount in Row (11) Excludes<br/>Certain Shares</b>                      |                                      | [ ]      |  |
| <b>(13) Percent of Class Represented<br/>by Amount in Row (11)</b>                                             |                                      | 4.3%*    |  |
| <b>(14) Type of Reporting Person</b>                                                                           |                                      | CO       |  |

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| <b>(1) Name of Reporting Person</b>                                                                | Nelson Peltz                         |               |      |
| <b>I.R.S. Identification No. of Above Person</b>                                                   |                                      |               |      |
| <b>(2) Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group</b>                                        | (a)                                  |               |      |
|                                                                                                    | (b) X                                |               |      |
| <b>(3) SEC Use Only</b>                                                                            |                                      |               |      |
| <b>(4) Source of Funds</b>                                                                         |                                      | OO            |      |
| <b>(5) Check Box if Disclosure of Legal Proceedings is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e)</b> |                                      | [ ]           |      |
| <b>(6) Citizenship or Place of Organization</b>                                                    |                                      | United States |      |
| Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With                                  | <b>(7) Sole Voting Power</b>         |               | None |
|                                                                                                    | <b>(8) Shared Voting Power</b>       | 1,921,525     |      |
|                                                                                                    | <b>(9) Sole Dispositive Power</b>    |               | None |
|                                                                                                    | <b>(10) Shared Dispositive Power</b> | 1,921,525     |      |
| <b>(11) Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person</b>                           |                                      | 1,921,525     |      |
| <b>(12) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares</b>                  |                                      | [ ]           |      |
| <b>(13) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (11)</b>                                     |                                      | 8.4%*         |      |
| <b>(14) Type of Reporting Person</b>                                                               |                                      | IN            |      |

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| <b>(1) Name of Reporting Person</b>                                                                | Peter W. May                         |               |
| <b>I.R.S. Identification No. of Above Person</b>                                                   |                                      |               |
| <b>(2) Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group</b>                                        | (a)<br>(b) X                         |               |
| <b>(3) SEC Use Only</b>                                                                            |                                      |               |
| <b>(4) Source of Funds</b>                                                                         |                                      | OO            |
| <b>(5) Check Box if Disclosure of Legal Proceedings is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e)</b> |                                      | [ ]           |
| <b>(6) Citizenship or Place of Organization</b>                                                    |                                      | United States |
| Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With                                  | <b>(7) Sole Voting Power</b>         | 0             |
|                                                                                                    | <b>(8) Shared Voting Power</b>       | 992,156       |
|                                                                                                    | <b>(9) Sole Dispositive Power</b>    | 0             |
|                                                                                                    | <b>(10) Shared Dispositive Power</b> | 992,156       |
| <b>(11) Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person</b>                           |                                      | 992,156       |
| <b>(12) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares</b>                  |                                      | [ ]           |
| <b>(13) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (11)</b>                                     |                                      | 4.4%*         |
| <b>(14) Type of Reporting Person</b>                                                               |                                      | IN            |

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## AMENDMENT NO. 12 TO SCHEDULE 13D

This Amendment No. 12 to Schedule 13D ("Amendment No. 12") amends the Schedule 13D originally filed on March 4, 2002 (the "Original Statement"), as supplemented and amended by Amendment No. 1, dated October 31, 2002, Amendment No. 2, dated September 4, 2003, Amendment No. 3, dated September 29, 2003, Amendment No. 4 dated October 9, 2003, Amendment No. 5 dated October 16, 2003 and Amendment No. 6 dated December 23, 2004, Amendment No. 7 dated January 20, 2005, Amendment No. 8 dated May 12, 2005, Amendment No. 9 dated June 17, 2005, Amendment No. 10 dated January 23, 2006 and Amendment No. 11 dated March 21, 2006 (the Original Statement, as so amended, the "Schedule 13D"). Unless otherwise indicated, all capitalized terms shall have the same meaning as provided in the Schedule 13D. Except as set forth below, there are no changes to the information set forth in the Schedule 13D.

### Item 2. Identity and Background

Schedules I and II are hereby amended and restated as set forth herein and are incorporated herein by reference.

### Item 4. Purpose of Transaction

Item 4 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended by adding the following:

Subsequent to March 21, 2006, the Peltz Family Foundation made bona fide donations of all of the 43,635 shares of Common Stock that it owned.

On December 15, 2006, Peter May contributed all of the 15,000 shares of Common Stock directly owned by him to the Leni and Peter May Family Foundation (the "May Foundation").

On April 20, 2007, each of Madison West, Triarc, the Peltz LP, the May Foundation and certain other shareholders of the Company entered into a Stock Purchase Agreement with JCF FPK I LP ("FPK") pursuant to which Madison West, Triarc, the Peltz LP and the May Foundation agreed to sell 788,381 shares, 91,275 shares, 850,369 shares and 15,000 shares, respectively, of Common Stock to FPK for \$9.75 per share. Upon the closing of the transaction, the reporting persons will own in the aggregate, less than 1% of the Company's outstanding shares of Common Stock (computed in accordance with Rule 13d-3 of the Exchange Act and on the basis of 22,782,477 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of February 5, 2007, as reported in the Company's Form 10-K, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 28, 2007). In connection with the sale to FPK Mr. May will resign from the Board of Directors of the Company.

### Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

Paragraphs (i), (ii) (iv) and (v) of Part (a)-(b) of Item 5 are amended and restated to read in their entirety as follows:

(i) Pursuant to Rule 13d-3 of the Exchange Act, Madison West may be deemed the beneficial owner of 875,881 shares of Common Stock, which constitute approximately 3.8% of the Company's outstanding shares of Common Stock (computed in accordance with Rule 13d-3 of the Exchange Act and on the basis of 22,782,477 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of February 5, 2007, as reported in the

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Company's Form 10-K, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 28, 2007). Madison West shares with Triarc, Mr. Peltz and Mr. May voting and dispositive power over the 875,881 shares of Common Stock directly owned by Madison West. Following the sale of shares of Common Stock described in the third paragraph of Item 4 of Amendment No. 12, Madison West will share with Triarc, Mr. Peltz and Mr. May voting and dispositive power over the 87,500 shares of Common Stock that it will directly own;

(ii) Pursuant to Rule 13d-3 of the Exchange Act, Triarc may be deemed the beneficial owner of 977,156 shares of Common Stock, including (i) 875,881 shares of Common Stock directly owned by Madison West and (ii) 101,275 shares of Common Stock directly owned by Triarc. The aggregate holdings of Triarc constitute approximately 4.3% of the Company's outstanding shares of Common Stock (computed in accordance with Rule 13d-3 of the Exchange Act and on the basis of 22,782,477 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of February 5, 2007, as reported in the Company's Form 10-K, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 28, 2007. Triarc shares with Madison West, Mr. Peltz and Mr. May voting and dispositive power over the 875,881 shares of Common Stock directly owned by Madison West and shares with Mr. Peltz and Mr. May voting and dispositive power over the 101,275 shares of Common Stock directly owned by Triarc. Following the sale of shares of Common Stock described in the third paragraph of Item 4 of Amendment No. 12, Triarc will share with Mr. Peltz and Mr. May voting and dispositive power over the 10,000 shares of Common Stock that it will directly own, and will share with Madison West, Mr. Peltz and Mr. May voting and dispositive power over the 87,500 shares of Common Stock that will be directly owned by Madison West;

(iv) On May 9, 2004 Mr. Peltz transferred all of his general partnership interests in the Peltz LP to Claudia Peltz, his wife, as a result of which Mrs. Peltz became the sole general partner of the Peltz LP. Immediately thereafter, Mrs. Peltz contributed all of the general partnership interests in the Peltz LP to a limited liability company of which she is the sole member. On January 23, 2006, the Peltz LP pledged 1,174,024 shares of Common Stock to a third party brokerage firm as security for a margin account. On March 21, 2006, 229,655 of the shares owned by the Peltz LP were sold. Accordingly, Mr. Peltz may be deemed to beneficially own 944,369 shares of Common Stock directly owned by the Peltz LP. As a result of the Voting Agreement, Mr. Peltz and Mr. May may be deemed to beneficially own, in the aggregate, approximately 34.4% of the voting power of the outstanding Class A Common Stock and Class B Common Stock, of Triarc (computed in accordance with Rule 13d-3 of the Exchange Act and on the basis of 28,850,672 shares of Class A Common Stock and 63,762,190 shares of Class B Common Stock of Triarc outstanding as of February 15, 2007, as reported in Triarc's Form 10-K as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 28, 2007, and thus Mr. Peltz shares voting and dispositive power with Triarc and Mr. May over the 977,156 shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Triarc (see (ii) above). As a result, pursuant to Rule 13d-3 of the Exchange Act, Mr. Peltz may be deemed the indirect beneficial owner of (i) the 944,369 shares of Common Stock directly owned by the Peltz LP, and (ii) the 977,156 shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Triarc, which, in the aggregate, constitute approximately 8.4% of the Company's outstanding shares of Common Stock (computed in accordance with Rule 13d-3 of the Exchange Act and on



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the basis of 22,782,477 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of February 5, 2007, as reported in the Company's Form 10-K, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 28, 2007). Mr. Peltz disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares. Following the sale of shares of Common Stock described in the third paragraph of Item 4 of Amendment No. 12, Mr. Peltz may be deemed to be the indirect beneficial owner of the 94,000 shares of Common Stock that will be directly owned by the Peltz LP, the 10,000 shares of Common Stock that will be directly owned by Triarc and the 87,500 shares that will be directly owned by Madison West;

(v) On December 15, 2006, Mr. May transferred the 15,000 shares that he owned directly to the May Foundation, of which he is a director. As such, Mr. May has shared voting and dispositive power over such shares. As a result of the Voting Agreement, Mr. Peltz and Mr. May may be deemed to beneficially own approximately 34.4% of the voting power of the outstanding Class A Common Stock and Class B Common Stock, of Triarc (computed in accordance with Rule 13d-3 of the Exchange Act and on the basis of 28,850,672 shares of Class A Common Stock and 63,762,190 shares of Class B Common Stock of Triarc outstanding as of February 15, 2007, as reported in Triarc's Form 10-K as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 28, 2007), and thus, Mr. May shares with Triarc and Mr. Peltz voting and dispositive power over the 977,156 shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Triarc (see (ii) above). As a result, pursuant to Rule 13d-3 of the Exchange Act, Mr. May may be deemed the beneficial owner of (i) the 977,156 shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Triarc, and (ii) the 15,000 shares of Common Stock owned by the May Foundation, which, in the aggregate, constitute approximately 4.4% of the Company's outstanding shares of Common Stock (computed in accordance with Rule 13d-3 of the Exchange Act and on the basis of 22,782,477 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of February 5, 2007, as reported in the Company's Form 10-K, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 28, 2007). Mr. May disclaims beneficial ownership of all such shares. Following the sale of the shares of Common Stock described in the third paragraph of Item 4 of Amendment No. 12, Mr. May may be deemed to be the indirect beneficial owner of the 10,000 shares of Common Stock that will be directly owned by Triarc and the 87,500 shares of Common Stock that will be directly owned by Madison West.

Part (a) - (b) of Item 5 is also hereby amended by deleting paragraphs (iii) and (vi) thereof in their entirety.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings on Relationships with respect to Securities of the Issuer.

Item 6 is supplemented as follows:

See Item 4 of Amendment No. 12 for a description of the Stock Purchase Agreement, dated April 20, 2007.

Item 7. Materials to be filed as Exhibits.

Exhibit 16 Stock Purchase Agreement, dated April 20, 2007.



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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement with respect to the undersigned is true, complete and correct.

Date: April 20, 2007

MADISON WEST ASSOCIATES CORP.

By: Stuart I. Rosen  
Name: Stuart I. Rosen  
Title: Senior Vice President and Secretary

TRIARC COMPANIES, INC.

By: Stuart I. Rosen  
Name: Stuart I. Rosen  
Title: Senior Vice President and Secretary

Nelson Peltz  
Nelson Peltz

Peter W. May  
Peter W. May

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**SCHEDULE I**  
**DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**  
**TRIARC COMPANIES, INC.**

Set forth below are the names, citizenship, addresses and, to the best knowledge of the Reporting Persons, the beneficial ownership in the securities of the Company of each of the directors and executive officers of Triarc, other than Messrs. Peltz and May who are also Reporting Persons. (1)

| <b>Name</b>               | <b>Citizenship</b> | <b>Residence or Business Address</b>                 | <b>Beneficial Ownership</b> |
|---------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Hugh L. Carey             | USA                | 805 Third Avenue<br>New York, NY 10022               | 0                           |
| Clive Chajet              | USA                | 575 Madison Avenue,<br>New York, NY 10022            | 0                           |
| Joseph A. Levato          | USA                | 280 Park Avenue<br>New York, NY 10017                | 0                           |
| Gregory H. Sachs          | USA                | 8700 West Bryn Mawr, 12th Fl.<br>Chicago, IL 60631   | 0                           |
| David E. Schwab II        | USA                | 1133 Avenue of the Americas<br>New York, NY 10036    | 0                           |
| Raymond S. Troubh         | USA                | 10 Rockefeller Plaza<br>New York, NY 10020           | 0                           |
| Gerald Tsai, Jr.          | USA                | 200 Park Avenue<br>New York, NY 10166                | 0                           |
| Jack G. Wasserman         | USA                | 280 Park Avenue<br>New York, NY 10017                | 0                           |
| Edward Garden             | USA                | 280 Park Avenue<br>New York, NY 10017                | 0                           |
| Russell V. Umphenour, Jr. | USA                | 5995 Barfield Road<br>Atlanta, GA 30328              | 0                           |
| Brian L. Schorr           | USA                | 280 Park Avenue<br>New York, NY 10017                | 5,008 (2) (3)               |
| Francis T. McCarron       | USA                | 280 Park Avenue<br>New York, NY 10017                | 0                           |
| Greg Essner               | USA                | 280 Park Avenue<br>New York, NY 10017                | 0                           |
| Stuart I. Rosen           | USA                | 280 Park Avenue<br>New York, NY 10017                | 20,000 (2)                  |
| Fred H. Schaefer          | USA                | 280 Park Avenue<br>New York, NY 10017                | 0                           |
| Anne A. Tarbell           | USA                | 280 Park Avenue<br>New York, NY 10017                | 0                           |
| Roland C. Smith           | USA                | 1155 Perimeter Center West<br>Atlanta, Georgia 30338 | 0                           |

- 1) To the best knowledge of the Reporting Persons, except where otherwise noted, each of the directors and executive officers of Triarc listed above (i) funded their purchase of shares of Common Stock reported herein from personal funds; (ii) acquired the shares of Common Stock for investment purposes; (iii) has sole voting and dispositive power over the shares listed on this Schedule I and (iv) has the sole right to

receive dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of the shares listed on this Schedule I.

- 2) Consists of Common Stock.
- 3) The shares reported herein are held by Mr. Schorr's wife, as to which shares Mr. Schorr disclaims beneficial ownership. All of such shares are to be sold in the transaction described in the third paragraph of Item 4 of Amendment No. 12.

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## SCHEDULE II

DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS  
MADISON WEST ASSOCIATES CORP.

Set forth below are the names, citizenship, addresses and, to the best knowledge of the Reporting Persons, the beneficial ownership in the securities of the Company of each of the directors and executive officers of Madison West. (1)

| <b>Name</b>         | <b>Citizenship</b> | <b>Residence or<br/>Business Address</b> | <b>Beneficial<br/>Ownership</b> |
|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Edward Garden       | USA                | 280 Park Avenue<br>New York, NY<br>10017 | 0                               |
| Francis T. McCarron | USA                | 280 Park Avenue<br>New York, NY<br>10017 | 0                               |
| Brian L. Schorr     | USA                | 280 Park Avenue<br>New York, NY<br>10017 | 5,008 (2)                       |
| Greg Essner         | USA                | 280 Park Avenue<br>New York, NY<br>10017 | 0                               |
| Stuart I. Rosen     | USA                | 280 Park Avenue<br>New York, NY<br>10017 | 20,000 (2)                      |
| Fred H. Schaefer    | USA                | 280 Park Avenue<br>New York, NY<br>10017 | 0                               |
| Anne A. Tarbell     | USA                | 280 Park Avenue<br>New York, NY<br>10017 | 0                               |

- 1) To the best knowledge of the Reporting Persons, except where otherwise noted, each of the directors and executive officers of Madison West listed above (i) funded their purchase of shares of Common Stock reported herein from personal funds; (ii) acquired the shares of Common Stock for investment purposes; and (iii) has sole voting and dispositive power over the shares listed on this Schedule II.
- 2) See Schedule I.