

Hercules Capital, Inc.
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Ho Doreen Woo

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O HERCULES CAPITAL, INC., 400 HAMILTON AVENUE SUITE 310

(Street)

PALO ALTO, CA 94301

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Hercules Capital, Inc. [HTGC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
10/21/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director
____ Officer (give title below)
____ 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Amount or Price		
			Code	V	Amount (D) Price		
Common Stock	10/21/2016		A	(1)	3,333 \$ 13.61	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 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.61	10/21/2016		A	10,000 (2)	10/21/2017 ⁽³⁾ 10/21/2026	Common	10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Ho Doreen Woo C/O HERCULES CAPITAL, INC. 400 HAMILTON AVENUE SUITE 310 PALO ALTO, CA 94301				

Signatures

/s/Melanie Grace, Attorney-In-Fact for Doreen Woo Ho 10/25/2016

__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).
- Restricted Stock issued as an automatic grant upon election to the board of directors pursuant to the Amended and Restated
- (1) Non-Employee Incentive Plan and subject to forfeiture restrictions. One-half vests on 10/21/2017 and the remaining one-half vests on 10/21/2018.
 - (2) Stock option granted as an automatic grant upon election to the board of directors pursuant to the Amended and Restated Non-Employee Incentive Plan.
 - (3) Stock option vests as to one-half of the underlying shares on 10/21/2017 and the remaining one-half vests on 10/21/2018.

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