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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Bluestein Scott

(Zip)

(First) (Middle)

C/O HERCULES CAPITAL, INC., 31 ST. JAMES AVENUE, **SUITE 790**

(Street)

(State)

11/19/2018

4. If Amendment, Date Original

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Hercules Capital, Inc. [HTGC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/19/2018

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chief Investment Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

5. Amount of

Securities

Owned

Beneficially

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6.

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

BOSTON, MA 02116

(City)

Restricted

Stock Units

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

6.552

Code V Amount

(A)

(D)

Following Reported Transaction(s) Price

12.28

(Instr. 3 and 4)

 $250,397 \stackrel{(1)}{=}$

7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Form: Direct Beneficial (D) or Ownership

Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	7. Title a Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 a	of ng s	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	umber		

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

Signatures

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

11/21/2018

**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).

Includes additional Dividend Shares relating to deemed reinvested dividend equivalent rights that accrued on Restricted Stock Units

(RSUs) previously granted. Such additional Dividend Shares are in the form of additional RSUs vest and are settled at the same time as the RSUs in respect of which the dividend equivalent rights accrued. Each such additional Dividend Share RSU is the economic equivalent of one share of Hercules Capital, Inc. common stock.

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