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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

SUITE 310

(Instr. 3)

Common

Stock

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Grace Melanie

(First)

INC., 400 HAMILTON AVENUE

(Street)

03/17/2018

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Hercules Capital, Inc. [HTGC]

03/17/2018

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

4. If Amendment, Date Original

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

General Counsel & Dong; CCO

(D) or

Indirect (I)

(Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Form: Direct Indirect

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

C/O HERCULES CAPITAL

PALO ALTO, CA 94301

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

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

Code V Amount (D)

280 (1) D

F

(A)

Price

12.03

Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

5. Amount of

Securities

Beneficially

26,614 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,		ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
					4, and 5)	Date	Expiration		Amount		
				Code V	/ (A) (D)	Exercisable	Date	Title	Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Grace Melanie C/O HERCULES CAPITAL INC. 400 HAMILTON AVENUE SUITE 310 PALO ALTO, CA 94301

General Counsel & Dong; CCO

Signatures

/s/Melanie 03/19/2018 Grace

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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) Represents shares of common stock withheld to pay taxes applicable to the vesting of restricted stock on March 17, 2018.

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