Levine Jay S. Form 4 October 25, 2012

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

Common

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Levine Jay S.

> (First) (Middle)

C/O ASCENA RETAIL GROUP.

INC., 30 DUNNIGAN DRIVE

(State)

(Street)

SUFFERN, NY 10901

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Ascena Retail Group, Inc. [ASNA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/23/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) SVP, Chief Accounting Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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Person

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 (Instr. 3)

(Zip)

Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

5. Amount of

Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

2,500

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of ionDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4
				Code V	(A) (D))	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Option To Buy'	\$ 16.31						06/02/2012(1)	06/02/2021	Common
Option to Buy	\$ 13.135						09/21/2012(1)	09/21/2021	Common
Restricted Share Units	(2)						(3)	(3)	Common
Restricted Share Units	<u>(4)</u>						(5)	(5)	Common
Option To Buy	\$ 20.79						09/20/2013(1)	09/20/2022(1)	Common
Performance Share Units	<u>(6)</u>	10/23/2012		J	10,0 <u>(7</u>		<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(6)</u>	10/23/2012		J	5,0		<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	

Levine Jay S.

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

SUFFERN, NY 10901

SVP, Chief Accounting Officer

Signatures

Mary Beth Riley, Power of Attorney 10/25/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Da

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) Exercisable in four equal installments with the first installment on the date indicated.

(2)

Reporting Owners 2

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Restricted share units issued under the Company's 2010 Stock Incentive Plan. These shares will vest 50% on the one year anniversary date (i.e. June 2, 2012), and another 50% on the two year anniversary date of the grant (i.e. June 2, 2013).

- (3) These shares vested 50% on the one year anniversary date (i.e. June 2, 2012), and another 50% will vest the two year anniversary date of the grant (i.e. June 2, 2013).
- (4) Restricted shares units issued under the Company's 2010 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (5) These units vest in two equal installments on June 19, 2013 and June 19, 2014.
- (6) Not applicable.
- (7) Represents the rescission on 10/23/2012 of the shares awarded under the Company's 2014 Long Term Incentive Plan granted on 9/21/2011.
- (8) Represents the rescission on 10/23/2012 of the shares awarded under the Company's 2015 Long Term Incentive Plan granted on 9/20/2012.

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