## FORM 4

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Ty	pe Response	s)												
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Bluestein Scott				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Hercules Capital, Inc. [HTGC]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O HERCULES CAPITAL, INC., 31 ST. JAMES AVENUE, SUITE 790			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/31/2021					X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  Chief Executive Officer						
BOSTON, MA 02116			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) 12/17/2021					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting PersonForm filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City) (State) (Zip)			Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqui						ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned					
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		(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)		Following	Ownership Form:	Beneficial	
				(Month/Day/Year)	Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 a	Instr. 3 and 4)		Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Restricted Stock Units		nits	10/31/2021		D		24,630	D	\$ 17.67	7 158,993 (1)			D	
				Derivative Securiti	ies Acquir	the t	form dis isposed o	plays a f, or Be	curre	ntly valid	OMB con	spond unle trol numbe		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transactio Date (Month/Day/	3A. Deemed Execution Da any	tte, if Transaction Code Year) (Instr. 8)	5.	6. Dand (Mc	Date Exerc Expiration onth/Day/	isable n Date Year)	7. Ti Amo Und Secu (Inst 4)	Amount or Number of Shares	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownersl Form of Derivati Security Direct (I or Indire	Beneficia Ownershi (Instr. 4) O)
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	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Bluestein Scott C/O HERCULES CAPITAL, INC. 31 ST. JAMES AVENUE, SUITE 790 BOSTON, MA 02116			Chief Executive Officer			

### **Signatures**

/s/ Eileen Bagarella, Attorney-in-fact for Scott Bluestein	12/21/2021
**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).
- (1) Originally reported as 155,353.

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