## 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* Grace Melanie				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Hercules Capital, Inc. [HTGC]							5	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)Director10% Owner							
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O HERCULES CAPITAL INC., 400 HAMILTON AVENUE SUITE 310				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/13/2021							X Office	er (give title bel Gene	ow) ral Counsel		Specify belo	ow)			
(Street) PALO ALTO, CA 94301				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person								
(City) (State) (Zip)					Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned														
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execu any			(Instr. 8)		tion	4. Securities Acqui (A) or Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		of (	Benefic Reporte		nount of Securities ricially Owned Following ted Transaction(s)		Form	ership o	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
				(Month/Day/Ye		Y ear	Co	de	V	Amoun	(A) or (D)	Pri		(Instr. 3 a	na 4)				Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common	Stock		04/13/2021				F	7		271 (1	) D	\$ 16.	.9	64,536			D		
			Table II - 1					t quired	he f	orm dis	splays a	a cur enefic	rren cially	tly valid	OMB con	spond unle trol numbe			
Security	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/	n 3A. Deemed Execution Da any	4. te, if Transaction Code Year) (Instr. 8)		tion	5.		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7 A U S	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	y D S D O (I	0. Dwnership Form of Derivative Jecurity: Direct (D) or Indirect I) Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownershij (Instr. 4)	
					Code	V	(A)		Date Exer		Expiration Date	on T		Amount or Number of Shares					
Repor	ting O	wners																	

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Grace Melanie C/O HERCULES CAPITAL INC. 400 HAMILTON AVENUE SUITE 310 PALO ALTO, CA 94301			General Counsel & CCO				

### **Signatures**

/s/ /Melanie Grace	04/15/2021
**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) Represents shares of common stock withheld to pay taxes applicable to the vesting of restricted stock on April 13, 2021.

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