

# FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <b>Bluestein Scott</b>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>Hercules Capital, Inc. [HTGC]</b>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <b>Chief Executive Officer</b>
(Last) (First) (Middle) <b>C/O HERCULES CAPITAL, INC., 31 ST. JAMES AVENUE, SUITE 790</b>	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <b>05/19/2021</b>	
(Street) <b>BOSTON, MA 02116</b>	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)	<b>Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned</b>	

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (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) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Restricted Stock Units	05/19/2021		A		4,638 <u>(1)</u>	A	\$ 16.95	203,966	D	
Restricted Stock Units	05/19/2021		F		70 <u>(2)</u>	D	\$ 16.95	203,896	D	
Restricted Stock Units	05/19/2021		D		1,264 <u>(3)</u>	D	\$ 16.95	202,632	D	
Common Stock	05/19/2021		A		1,264 <u>(4)</u>	A	\$ 16.95	924,661	D	
Common Stock	05/19/2021		F		561 <u>(5)</u>	D	\$ 16.95	924,100	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)**

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. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	<b>Relationships</b>			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

Bluestein Scott C/O HERCULES CAPITAL, INC. 31 ST. JAMES AVENUE, SUITE 790 BOSTON, MA 02116			Chief Executive Officer	
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## Signatures

/s/ /Melanie Grace, Attorney-in-Fact for Scott Bluestein		05/21/2021
<small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>		<small>Date</small>

## 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 dividend equivalent shares received on May 19, 2021.
- (2) Represents dividend equivalent shares withheld to pay taxes applicable to the vesting of deferred dividend equivalent shares on May 19, 2021.
- (3) Represents released dividend equivalent shares converted to Hercules Capital, Inc. common stock on May 19, 2021.
- (4) Represents Hercules, Inc. common stock received from vested dividend equivalent shares on May 19, 2021.
- (5) Represents Hercules, Inc. common stock withheld to pay taxes applicable to the vesting of dividend equivalent shares on May 19, 2021.

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