FORM 5

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Form 4 Transactions

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Name and Address of Reporting Per Fallon Thomas J	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Hercules Capital, Inc. [HTGC]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner			
(Last) (First) C/O HERCULES CAPITAL, I HAMILTON AVENUE SUITI	1	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2016				Officer (give title below)	Other (specify b	elow)	
PALO ALTO, CA 94301	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line) _X_ Form Filed by One Reporting Person Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) (State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqui					tired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price		of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
Common Stock	12/31/2016		A	337 (1)	A	\$ 0 (1)	27,745	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)

Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)			and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		(Month/Day/Year)		and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Amou Unde Secur	ant of rlying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial	
				4, and	5)	Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)									

Reporting Owners

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Fallon Thomas J C/O HERCULES CAPITAL, INC. 400 HAMILTON AVENUE SUITE 310 PALO ALTO, CA 94301	X						

Signatures

/s/Melanie Grace, Attorney in Fact for Thomas A. Fallon	01/20/2017	
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) Shares acquired through the Hercules Capital, Inc. Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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