

# HERCULES CAPITAL, INC.

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## FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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| Symbol      | HTGC   |
| Industry    | Closed End Funds                                     |
| Sector      | Financials   |
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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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|---|--|---|--|---|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *                       |  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol       |  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)   |  |
| <b>Grace Melanie</b>  |  | <b>Hercules Capital, Inc. [ HTGC ]</b>            |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)<br><b>General Counsel &amp; CCO</b> |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)   |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)      |  |   |  |
| <b>C/O HERCULES CAPITAL INC., 400 HAMILTON AVENUE SUITE 310</b> |  | <b>8/21/2017</b>                                  |  |   |  |
| (Street)  |  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY) |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)   |  |
| <b>PALO ALTO, CA 94301</b>                                      |  |   |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><input type="checkbox"/> 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. Trans. Date | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 3. Trans. 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          | 8/21/2017      |                                   | A                         |   | 529   | A          | \$12.92 | 22582 <a href="#">(1)</a>   | D  |   |

### Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned ( e.g. , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Trans. Date | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Trans. 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 |                 | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (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) |
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|  |  |                |                                   | Code                      | V | (A)  | (D) | Date Exercisable                        | Expiration Date | Title   | Amount or Number of Shares |  |  |  |  |

### Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Includes additional Dividend Shares relating to deemed reinvested dividend equivalent rights that accrued on Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) previously granted. Such additional Dividend Shares are in the form of additional RSUs vest and are settled at the same time as the RSUs in respect of which the dividend equivalent rights accrued. Each such additional Dividend Share RSU is the economic equivalent of one share of Hercules Capital, Inc. common stock.

### Reporting Owners

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

### Signatures

/s/Melanie Grace

8/22/2017

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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