

Ascena Retail Group, Inc.
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FORM 4

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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 *
RAYDEN MICHAEL W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ASCENA RETAIL GROUP,
 INC., 933 MACARTHUR
 BOULEVARD

(Street)

MAHWAH, NJ 07430

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Ascena Retail Group, Inc. [ASNA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
09/23/2014

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 CEO, Tween Brands, Inc.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, 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)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common	09/23/2014		M	(A) or (D) A	39,999 (1) \$ 0 44,760	D	
Common					13,284 (2)	I	See footnote (2)

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 Underlying (Instr. 3 and 4)
Restricted Stock Units ⁽¹⁾	\$ 0	09/23/2014		M	39,999 ⁽¹⁾	<u>(3)</u> ⁽³⁾	Common
Options to Buy ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 14.12	09/23/2014		A	80,000	09/23/2015 ⁽⁵⁾ 09/23/2021 ⁽⁵⁾	Common

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RAYDEN MICHAEL W C/O ASCENA RETAIL GROUP, INC. 933 MACARTHUR BOULEVARD MAHWAH, NJ 07430	X		CEO, Tween Brands, Inc.	

Signatures

/s/ Mary Beth Riley - by power of attorney 09/24/2014

__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 awarded under the company's 2014 LTIP Plan.

(2) Shares held by Diane Nye, Mr. Rayden's wife. Mr. Rayden disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.

(3) Not applicable.

(4) Granted under the Company's 2010 Stock Incentive Plan.

(5) Exercisable in four equal installments with the first installment on the date indicated.

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