RAYDEN MICHAEL W

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person 2. Iss RAYDEN MICHAEL W Symbol				r Name and	l Ticker or	Tradin	g	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			Ascena Retail Group, Inc. [ASNA]					(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			(cooses are approximately					
C/O ASCENA RETAIL GROUP,			(Month/Day/Year)					X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) CEO, Tween Brands, Inc.			
INC., 30 D	04/20/2011										
	(Street) 4. If A				ate Original	l		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
				nth/Day/Year	·)			Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
SUFFERN, NY 10901								Person			
(City)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							ly Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	e) Execution any	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securition(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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)	
Common	04/20/2011			S	15,000	D	\$ 32.95	1,613	D		
Common								6,642 (1)	I	See Footnote 1.	

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

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Dr.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 A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option To Buy	\$ 20.79 (2)					12/09/2010(3)	12/09/2019	Common	80,000
Option To Buy	\$ 23.39 (2)					09/23/2011(3)	09/23/2020	Common	80,000

Reporting Owners

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

RAYDEN MICHAEL W C/O ASCENA RETAIL GROUP, INC. 30 DUNNIGAN DRIVE SUFFERN, NY 10901

X

CEO, Tween Brands, Inc.

Signatures

/s/ Gene Wexler, Attorney-in-Fact 04/20/2011

**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 held by Diane Nye, Mr. Rayden's wife. Mr. Rayden disclaiims beneficial owership of these shares.
- (2) Granted under the Company's 2001 Stock Incentive Plan
- (3) Exercisable in four equal installments with the first installment on the date indicated.

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