Sullivan John J. Form 4 June 21, 2012

# FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue.

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Sullivan John J. Issuer Symbol Ascena Retail Group, Inc. [ASNA] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O ASCENA RETAIL GROUP, 06/19/2012 below) below) INC., 30 DUNNIGAN DRIVE **EVP** - Chief Operating Officer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

SUFFERN, NY 10901

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 0 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)

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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. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Date (Month/Day/Year) (A) ed of		7. Title and Amo Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or Nu of S
Option to Buy (1)	\$ 14.185					12/06/2012(2)	12/06/2021(2)	Common	50
Restricted Share Units	<u>(3)</u>					<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common	20
Restricted Share Units	<u>(6)</u>					<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common	10
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(6)</u>	06/19/2012		A	10,000	<u>(7)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common	10

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

Sullivan John J.

C/O ASCENA RETAIL GROUP, INC. 30 DUNNIGAN DRIVE

SUFFERN, NY 10901

**EVP - Chief Operating Officer** 

### **Signatures**

Mary Beth Riley, Power of Attorney 06/21/2012

\*\*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) Granted under the Company's 2010 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (2) Exercisable in four equal installments with the first installment on the date indicated.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit ("RSU") represents a contingent right to receive one share of Ascena common stock.
- (4) The number of RSU's to be received will be based upon the percentage achievement by Ascena of certain financial performance targets for Ascena's fiscal years 2012, 2013 and 2014.

(5) These shares will vest 50%, with the first vesting on December 6, 2012.

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- (6) Restricted share units issued under the Company's 2010 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (7) These units vested in two equal installments on June 19, 2013 and June 19, 2014.

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