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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 *
 Montgomery Dirk A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

SUFFERN, NY 10901

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Ascena Retail Group, Inc. [ASNA]

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

01/31/2013

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)
 EVP & CFO

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				(A) or (D) Price	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. 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Option To Buy	\$ 16.82 <u>(1)</u>	01/31/2013		A	25,000	01/31/2014 ⁽²⁾	01/31/2020 ⁽²⁾	Common
Restricted Share Units	<u>(1)</u> <u>(3)</u>	01/31/2013		A	45,000	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common
Performance Share Units	<u>(5)</u>	01/31/2013		A	12,500 <u>(6)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Montgomery Dirk A C/O ASCENA RETAIL GROUP, INC. 30 DUNNIGAN DRIVE SUFFERN, NY 10901			EVP & CFO	

Signatures

Mary Beth Riley by Power of Attorney 02/01/2013

**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) Restricted share units issued under the Company's 2010 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (4) These restricted share units have a 6-year graduated vesting, 10% upon each of the first three annnnniversaries, 15% upon the fourth anniversary, 20% upon the fifth anniversary, and 35% upon the sixth year anniversary.
- (5) Each performance share unit ("PSU") represents a contingent right to receive one share of Ascena common stock.
- (6) These shares of performance shares (PSU's) were awarded under the Company's 2015 Long Term Incentive Plan (the "2015 LTIP").
- (7) The number of PSU's to be received will be based upon the percentage of achievement by Ascena of certain financial performance targets for Ascena's fiscal year 2013, 2014 and 2015.

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