

Ascena Retail Group, Inc.

Form 4

September 24, 2014

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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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)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (1)	(A) or (D)	Price
Common	09/23/2014		M		39,999 (1)	A	\$ 0
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)
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Restricted Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 0	09/23/2014		M	39,999 <sup>(1)</sup>	<sup>(3)</sup>	<sup>(3)</sup>	Common
Options to Buy <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 14.12	09/23/2014		A	80,000	09/23/2015 <sup>(5)</sup>	09/23/2021 <sup>(5)</sup>	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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