

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

**FORM 144
NOTICE OF PROPOSED SALE OF SECURITIES
PURSUANT TO RULE 144 UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933**

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| 1 (a) NAME OF ISSUER <i>(Please type or print)</i> | | | (b) IRS IDENT. NO. | | (c) S.E.C. FILE NO. | | (e) TELEPHONE NO. | |
| RENT A CENTER | | | 45-0491516 | | 001-38047 | | | |
| 1 (d) ADDRESS OF ISSUER | | | STREET | | CITY | | STATE ZIP CODE | |
| 5501 HEADQUARTERS DR | | | (b) PLANO | | TX 75024 | | 800 422-8186 | |
| 2 (a) NAME OF PERSON FOR WHOSE ACCOUNT THE SECURITIES ARE TO BE SOLD | | | RELATIONSHIP TO ISSUER | | (c) ADDRESS STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE | | | |
| MICHEAL J. GADE | | | OFFICER | | 202 WHITE PINE CANYON PARK CITY UT 84060-6514 | | | |

INSTRUCTION: *The person filing this notice should contact the issuer to obtain the I.R.S. Identification Number and the S.E.C. File Number.*

| 3 (a) Title of the Class of Securities To Be Sold | (b) Name and Address of Each Broker Through Whom the Securities are to be Offered or Each Market Maker who is Acquiring the Securities | SEC USE ONLY | (c) Number of Shares or Other Units To Be Sold <i>(See instr. 3(c))</i> | (d) Aggregate Market Value <i>(See instr. 3(d))</i> | (e) Number of Shares or Other Units Outstanding <i>(See instr. 3(e))</i> | (f) Approximate Date of Sale <i>(See instr. 3(f))</i> (MO. DAY YR.) | (g) Name of Each Securities Exchange <i>(See instr. 3(g))</i> |
|--|---|---------------------------|---|---|--|--|---|
| | | Broker-Dealer File Number | | | | | |
| COMMON | UBS FIANCIAL SERVICES, INC. 100 CRESCENT COURT, SUITE 600 DALLAS TX 75201 | | 30869 5000 | 2,100,110.5 300,103.5 | 66309,000 | 08/06/2021 8/11/2021 | NASDAQ |
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INSTRUCTIONS:

1. (a) Name of Issuer
(b) Issuer's I.R.S. Identification Number
(c) Issuer's S.E.C. file number, if any
(d) Issuer's address, including zip code
(e) Issuer's telephone number, including area code
2. (a) Name of person for whose account the securities are to be sold
(b) Such person's relationship to the issuer (e.g., officer, director, 10% stockholder, or member of immediate family of any of the foregoing)
(c) Such person's address, including zip code
3. (a) Title of the class of securities to be sold
(b) Name and address of each broker through whom the securities are intended to be sold
(c) Number of shares or other units to be sold (if debt securities, give the aggregate face amount)
(d) Aggregate market value of the securities to be sold as of a specified date within 10 days prior to the filing of this notice
(e) Number of shares or other units of the class outstanding, or if debt securities the face amount thereof outstanding, as shown by the most recent report or statement published by the issuer
(f) Approximate date on which the securities are to be sold
(g) Name of each securities exchange, if any, on which the securities are intended to be sold

Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

TABLE I — SECURITIES TO BE SOLD

Furnish the following information with respect to the acquisition of the securities to be sold and with respect to the payment of all or any part of the purchase price or other consideration therefor:

| Form of Purchase | Date of Acquisition | Value of Acquisition (Purchase Price) | Name of Person from Whom Acquired or if gift, date gift was received | Amount of Securities Acquired | Date of Payment | Source of Payment |
|---------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| COMMON | 06/08/2021 | STOCK OPTION GRANT | RENT A CENTER | 28,869 28,869 | 06/08/2021 | NET OF CASH |
| Common | 7/19/15 | Stock option grant | Rent a center | 2000 | 7/19/15 | net of cash |

INSTRUCTIONS:

If the securities were purchased and full payment therefor was not made in cash at the time of purchase, explain in the table or in a note thereto the nature of the consideration given. If the securities were received of any stock or other obligation, or if payment was made in installments describe the arrangement and state when the same or other obligations were discharged in full or the last installment paid.

TABLE II — SECURITIES SOLD DURING THE PAST 3 MONTHS

Furnish the following information as to all securities of the issuer sold during the past 3 months by the person for whose account the securities are to be sold:

| Name and Address of Issuer | Title of Securities Sold | Date of Sale | Amount of Securities Sold | Cost Per Share |
|--|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| MICHELLE J GADE 202 WHITE PINE CANYON PARK CITY, UT 84090-6514 | RENT A CENTER | 6/09/2021 | 28,869 28,868 | 1,846.704 |

REMARKS:

INSTRUCTIONS:

See the definition of "person" in paragraph (a) of Rule 144. Information is to be given not only as to the person for whose account the securities are to be sold but also as to all other persons included in that definition. In addition, information shall be given as to sales by all persons whose sales are required by paragraph (a) of Rule 144 to be aggregated with sales for the account of the person filing this report.

ATTENTION: The person for whose account the securities are to be sold shall have responsibility for signing the report that he has not been any material adverse representations to report to the issuer and prospective investors of the issuer of the securities to be sold which have not been publicly disclosed. If such person has adopted a written trading plan or given trading instructions to another Rule 144(c) under the Exchange Act, by signing the form and indicating the date that the plan was adopted or the instruction given, the person makes such representation as of the plan adoption or instruction date.

August 10, 2021
 DATE OF SALE ACQUISITION OR EXPIRATION OF
 EXPIRATION OF RULE 144(c)
 The notice shall be signed by the person for whose account the securities are to be sold. At least one copy of the notice shall be manually signed by capital and manually signed shall have typed or printed signature.

ATTENTION: Intentional misstatements or omission of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations (See 18 U.S.C. 1001)