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FORM 3

INITIAL STATEMENT OF 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 30(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person

Petrello Anthony G.
(Last) (First) (Middle)
515 West Green Road, Suite 1200
(Houston) (TX) (77067)
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)

12/15/97

3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)

4. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Cendant Corporation (CD)

5 Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

[X] Director [] 10% Owner
[] Officer (give title below) [] Other (specify below)

6. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr.5)

Common Stock 31,800 I By Trust

