

American Homes 4 Rent
Form 8-A12B
May 17, 2016

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-A

FOR REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SECURITIES
PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR 12(g) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

American Homes 4 Rent

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland
(State of incorporation or organization)

46-1229660
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

30601 Agoura Road
Suite 200
Agoura Hills, California
(Address of principal executive offices)

91301
(Zip Code)

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

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| Title of each class to be so registered | Name of each exchange on which each class is to be registered |
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| Series D cumulative redeemable perpetual preferred shares of beneficial interest, \$0.01 par value per share | New York Stock Exchange, Inc. |

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(c), check the following box.

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(d), check the following box.

Securities Act registration statement file number to which this form relates: **333-197921**

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: **None.**

Item 1. Description of Registrant's Securities to be Registered.

The description of the Series D cumulative redeemable perpetual preferred shares of beneficial interest, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Series D Preferred Shares"), of American Homes 4 Rent (the "Company"), included under the heading "Description of Preferred Shares" and other information relating to the Series D Preferred Shares under the heading "Material Provisions of Maryland Law and of Our Declaration of Trust and Bylaws" in the prospectus dated August 7, 2014 (the "Prospectus") forming part of the Company's registration statement on Form S-3ASR (File No. 333-197921), filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") on August 7, 2014 (the "Registration Statement"), and under the heading "Description of Series D Preferred Shares" beginning on page S-20 of the prospectus supplement to the Prospectus (the "Prospectus Supplement"), dated May 17, 2016, that was filed by the Company with the Commission on May 17, 2016 pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, shall be deemed to be incorporated herein by reference.

Item 2. Exhibits.

| Exhibit No. | Description |
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| 3.1 | Articles of Amendment and Restatement of Declaration of Trust of American Homes 4 Rent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Amendment No. 1 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-11 (SEC File No. 333-189103) filed June 25, 2013) |
| 3.2 | First Articles of Amendment to Articles of Amendment and Restatement of Declaration of Trust of American Homes 4 Rent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to Amendment No. 2 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-11 (SEC File No. 333-189103) filed July 19, 2013) |
| 3.3 | Articles Supplementary for American Homes 4 Rent 5.000% Series A Participating Preferred Shares (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.3 to Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-11 (SEC File No. 333-191015) filed October 25, 2013) |
| 3.4 | Articles Supplementary for American Homes 4 Rent 5.000% Series B Participating Preferred Shares (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.4 to Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-11 (SEC File No. 333-192592) filed December 27, 2013) |
| 3.5 | Articles Supplementary for American Homes 4 Rent 5.500% Series C Participating Preferred Shares (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.5 to Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-11 (SEC File No. 333-195575) filed May 1, 2014) |
| 3.6 | Articles Supplementary for American Homes 4 Rent 6.5% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Shares (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 17, 2016) |
| 3.7 | Amended and Restated Bylaws of American Homes 4 Rent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.3 to Amendment No. 2 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-11 (SEC File No. 333-189103) filed July 19, 2013) |

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

Date: May 17, 2016

AMERICAN HOMES 4 RENT

By: /s/ Stephanie Heim
Stephanie Heim
Senior Vice President - Counsel