

EQUITY RESIDENTIAL  
Form 4

August 11, 2015

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

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See Instruction  
1(b).

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

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
GEORGE ALAN W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE  
PLAZA, SUITE 400

(Street)

CHICAGO, IL 60606

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
EQUITY RESIDENTIAL [EQR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
08/10/2015

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_X\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Executive Vice President & CIO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_X\_\_ 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)
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	08/10/2015		M	8,392 A	\$ 23.07 81,334.3274	D	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	08/10/2015		S	8,392 D	\$ 75.245 72,942.3274	D	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	08/10/2015		M	5,000 A	\$ 32.97 77,942.3274	D	

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Common  
Shares Of  
Beneficial  
Interest

08/10/2015

S 5,000 D

\$  
75.237 72,942.3274 D  
(2)

Common  
Shares Of  
Beneficial  
Interest

19.9589 (3) I

401(k)  
Plan

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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.07	08/10/2015		M	8,392	<u>(4)</u>	02/06/2019	Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	8,392
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.97	08/10/2015		M	5,000	<u>(5)</u>	02/05/2020	Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	5,000

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GEORGE ALAN W  
TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 400  
CHICAGO, IL 60606

Executive Vice President & CIO

## Signatures

s/ By: Jane Matz,  
Attorney-in-fact

08/11/2015

\_\_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) The price represents the weighted average price of the shares sold. The shares were sold within a range of \$75.22 to \$75.28. The reporting person will provide, upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer, or any security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

(2) The price represents the weighted average price of the shares sold. The shares were sold within a range of \$75.21 to \$75.27. The reporting person will provide, upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer, or any security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

(3) Represents shares acquired through profit sharing contributions and dividend reinvestment activity in the reporting person's account with the Equity Residential Advantage 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan, a plan qualified under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Such shares represent acquisitions through July 12, 2015.

(4) Represents share options scheduled to vest in approximately three equal installments on February 6, 2010, February 6, 2011 and February 6, 2012.

(5) Represents share options scheduled to vest in approximately three equal installments on February 5, 2011, February 5, 2012 and February 5, 2013.

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