

AMERICAN RETIREMENT CORP

Form 3

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**FORM 3**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**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(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting  
Person \*Â Mercury Real Estate Securities  
Offshore Fund, Ltd.

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

C/O MERCURY REAL  
ESTATE ADVISORS  
LLC,Â 100 FIELD POINT  
ROAD

(Street)

GREENWICH,Â CTÂ 06830

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring  
Statement(Month/Day/Year)  
05/05/20053. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AMERICAN RETIREMENT CORP [ACR]4. Relationship of Reporting  
Person(s) to Issuer5. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_X\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Officer \_\_\_\_ Other  
(give title below) (specify below)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 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 <sup>(1)</sup>

3,700

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially  
owned directly or indirectly.

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(Instr. 4)2. Date Exercisable and  
Expiration Date3. Title and Amount of  
Securities Underlying

4. Conversion

5. Ownership

6. Nature of Indirect  
Beneficial Ownership

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(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	(Instr. 5)
Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Mercury Real Estate Securities Offshore Fund, Ltd.  
C/O MERCURY REAL ESTATE ADVISORS LLC  
100 FIELD POINT ROAD  
GREENWICH, CT 06830

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## Signatures

/s/ David R.  
Jarvis

07/29/2005

\_\_Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) These shares were acquired by Mercury Real Estate Advisors, LLC ("Advisors"), a registered investment adviser, on behalf of Mercury Real Estate Securities Offshore Fund, Ltd., for which Advisors serves as the investment adviser.

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