#### AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES INC

Form 4

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

SCHULMAN EDWARD M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

**AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES** INC [AVB]

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

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

02/11/2008

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

**SVP-General Counsel** 

C/O AVALONBAY

COMMUNITIES, INC., 2900 EISENHOWER AVE., SUITE 300

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

below)

ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Indirect Form: Direct (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)

SEC 1474

(9-02)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common

Stock, par value \$.01 per share

02/11/2008

2.014 A A

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 89.06	02/11/2008		A	8,258	02/11/2009(3)	02/11/2018	Common Stock	8,258

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SCHULMAN EDWARD M C/O AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES, INC. 2900 EISENHOWER AVE., SUITE 300 ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314

**SVP-General Counsel** 

#### **Signatures**

/s/ Edward M. 02/13/2008 Schulman

\*\*Signature of Reporting 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) Reflects grant of shares of restricted stock under the Company's Stock Option and Incentive Plan, which shares are subject to vesting requirements.
- (2) The amount of securities owned following the reported transaction reflects direct ownership of all shares of common stock, including restricted shares.
- (3) These options vest in three annual installments, with the first installment vesting on 2/11/2009.
- (4) Reflects grant of options under the Company's Stock Option and Incentive Plan.
- (5) Following the reported transaction, the reporting person holds a total of 43,351 options to purchase the issuer's common stock granted on various dates and with varying exercise prices and vesting dates.

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