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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Middle)

(Zip)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Kaufman Ian

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

(City)

Symbol

EQUITY RESIDENTIAL [EQR]

(Check all applicable)

TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE

(First)

(Street)

(State)

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

10% Owner Director X_ Officer (give title

08/14/2012

Other (specify below)

PLAZA, SUITE 400

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Chief Accounting Officer

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

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

below)

CHICAGO, IL 60606

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

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

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Common

Amount (D) Price

Shares Of Beneficial

08/14/2012

22.042 5,239.5468 50.42

D

Interest

Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest

401(k)347.7188 (3) 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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title a	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionNumber		Expiration D	ate	Amount	of	Derivative	Deriv
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				Code V	(A) (D)			S	hares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Kaufman Ian TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 400 CHICAGO, IL 60606

Chief Accounting Officer

Signatures

s/ By: Jane Matz, Attorney-in-fact 08/16/2012

**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) Represents shares acquired through Equity Residential's Employee Share Purchase Plan.
- (2) Direct total includes restricted shares of the Company scheduled to vest in the future.

Represents shares acquired through profit sharing contributions and dividend reinvestment activity in the reporting person's account with

(3) 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 13, 2012.

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