

## EQUITY RESIDENTIAL

Form 4

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**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN 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 \*  
**WHITE B JOSEPH**

(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)  
**03/14/2016**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
☒ 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	03/14/2016		M	6,162 A	\$ 20.6 10,695 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	03/14/2016		S	6,162 D	\$ 72.682 4,533 <sup>(1)</sup> <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest					27,204 <sup>(3)</sup>	I	SERP Account

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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 (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)
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.6	03/14/2016		M	6,162	<sup>(4)</sup> 02/06/2019	Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
WHITE B JOSEPH TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA SUITE 400 CHICAGO, IL 60606	X

## Signatures

s/ By: Jane Matz,  
Attorney-in-fact 03/16/2016

\_\_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) Direct total includes restricted shares of the Company scheduled to vest in the future.

The price represents the weighted average price of the shares sold. The shares were sold within a range of \$72.68 to \$72.70. The reporting

(2) 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.

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- (3) Represents shares owned by Principal Trust Company, as Trustee of the Equity Residential Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan, for the benefit of the reporting person.
- (4) Represents options which vested in approximately three equal installments on February 6, 2010, February 6, 2011 and February 6, 2012.

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