#### **EQUITY RESIDENTIAL**

Form 4

March 04, 2013

## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

Washington, D.C. 20549

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* SPECTOR GERALD A

> (First) (Middle)

TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 400

CHICAGO, IL 60606

(Street)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

**EQUITY RESIDENTIAL [EQR]** 

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/28/2013

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X\_ Director 10% Owner \_X\_ Other (specify Officer (give title below) below) Vice Chairman

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 3. 7. Nature

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired (A) or 5. Amount of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactiorDisposed of (D) Securities Ownership (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 3) Code Beneficially Form: (Month/Day/Year) Owned Direct (D) (Instr. 8) Following or Indirect Reported

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Shares Of 2,137,6657 282,191.4625 D 02/28/2013 Α Beneficial 46.78

Common Shares Of

Interest

 $3,472^{(3)}$ I Beneficial Interest

Common Shares Of Beneficial

Interest

25,015 (4)

Family Trust

Ι

Children

of Indirect

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(Instr. 4)

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Common

Shares Of Beneficial 71,132 (5) I Spouse

Interest

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. stionNumber of Securitic Acquire (A) or Dispose of (D) (Instr. 3 4, and 5	(Month/Day ve es d d	Pate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owno Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
r	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SPECTOR GERALD A TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 400 CHICAGO, IL 60606	X			Vice Chairman			

### **Signatures**

s/ By: Jane Matz, Attorney-in-fact 03/04/2013

\*\*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.

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- (3) Represents shares beneficially owned by Mr. Spector as custodian for his minor children. Mr. Spector disclaims beneficial ownership of said shares.
- (4) Represents shares held by the Spector Family Dynasty Trust (the "SFDT"). Mr. Spector is the sole trustee of the SFDT and, as such, may be deemed the beneficial owner of the shares reported herein.
- (5) Represents shares beneficially owned by Mr. Spector's spouse. Mr. Spector disclaims beneficial ownership of said shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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