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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant

to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): January 19, 2009

EQUITY RESIDENTIAL

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction

1-12252 (Commission File Number) 13-3675988 (IRS Employer

 $of\ incorporation)$

Identification Number)

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ERP OPERATING LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

0-24920

36-3894853

Illinois

(State or other jurisdiction of	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer
incorporation or organization)		Identification Number)
Two North Riverside Plaza	1	
Suite 400, Chicago, Illinois (Address of principal executives of Registrant		60606 (Zip Code) 474-1300
	Not applicable	
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)		
Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K the following provisions (<i>see</i> General Instruction A		ing obligation of the registrant under any of
" Written communications pursuant to Rule 42	25 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)	

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(b) Desiree G. Rogers has informed the Board of Trustees of Equity Residential (the Company) that she is resigning from the Company s Board effective January 19, 2009, as a result of her appointment as Special Assistant to the President and as White House Social Secretary by President Barack Obama.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On January 20, 2009, Equity Residential issued a press release announcing Ms. Rogers resignation from the Board of Trustees. A copy of the press release is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference into this Item 7.01. The information contained or incorporated in this Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1, is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission nor incorporated by reference in any registration statement filed by Equity Residential under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibit

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press Release dated January 20, 2009, announcing Desiree Rogers resignation from the Board of Trustees of Equity Residential.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

EQUITY RESIDENTIAL

Date: January 20, 2009 By: /s/ Bruce C. Strohm

Name: Bruce C. Strohm

Its: Executive Vice President and General Counsel

ERP OPERATING LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

By: Equity Residential, its general partner

Date: January 20, 2009

By: /s/ Bruce C. Strohm

Name: Bruce C. Strohm

Its: Executive Vice President and General Counsel