#### **EQUITY RESIDENTIAL**

Form 4

February 13, 2015

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
ALEXANDER JOHN W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

**EQUITY RESIDENTIAL [EQR]** 

(Check all applicable)

(Month/Day/Year)

02/12/2015

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

200 SOUTH TRYON STREET

(Street)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

CHARLOTTE, NC 28202

(City)	(State) 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Shares Of Beneficial Interest	02/12/2015		M	4,445	A	\$ 42.8	77,694.3057 (1)	D		
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	02/12/2015		S	4,445	D	\$ 80	73,249.3057 (1)	D		
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	02/12/2015		M	2,998	A	\$ 53.5	76,247.3057 (1)	D		

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Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	02/12/2015	S	2,998	D	\$ 80	73,249.3057 (1)	D	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest						45,141.895 <u>(2)</u>	I	SERP Account

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 on f Derivative Securities Acquired (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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Shares
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 42.8	02/12/2015		M	4,445	(3)	02/03/2016	Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	4,44
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 53.5	02/12/2015		M	2,998	<u>(4)</u>	02/08/2017	Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	2,99

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Reporting Owner France / Francess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
ALEXANDER JOHN W 200 SOUTH TRYON STREET CHARLOTTE, NC 28202	X					

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## **Signatures**

s/ By: Jane Matz, Attorney-in-fact 02/13/2015

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## **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.
- (2) Represents shares owned by Principal Trust Company, as Trustee of the Equity Residential Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan, for the benefit of the reporting person.
- (3) Represents share options scheduled to vest in approximately three equal installments on August 3, 2006, February 3, 2007 and February 3, 2008.
- (4) Represents share options scheduled to vest in approximately three equal installments on August 8, 2007, February 8, 2008 and February 8, 2009.

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