

EQUITY RESIDENTIAL
Form 4
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ZELL SAMUEL

(Last) (First) (Middle)

TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE
PLAZA, SUITE 600

(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)

02/08/2008

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)

Chairman of the Board

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 | | | | (A) | 1,619,039.5883 (1) | D | |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | | | | (A) | 600 (2) | I | By Spouse, Trustee for Helen Zell Revocable Trust |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | | | | (A) | 1,206,968 (3) | I | Samstock, L.L.C. |

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| Interest | | | | | | | | | |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | | | | | | 22,056.31 ⁽⁴⁾ | I | | Samuel Zell Revocable Trust |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 02/08/2008 | A | 500 | A | \$ 36.98 | 365,250.9189 ⁽⁵⁾ | I | | SERP Account |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 02/08/2008 | A | 1,300 | A | \$ 36.99 | 366,550.9189 ⁽⁵⁾ | I | | SERP Account |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 02/08/2008 | A | 1,100 | A | \$ 37 | 367,650.9189 ⁽⁵⁾ | I | | SERP Account |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 02/08/2008 | A | 3,600 | A | \$ 37.01 | 371,250.9189 ⁽⁵⁾ | I | | SERP Account |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 02/08/2008 | A | 200 | A | \$ 37.0125 | 371,450.9189 ⁽⁵⁾ | I | | SERP Account |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 02/08/2008 | A | 100 | A | \$ 37.013 | 371,550.9189 ⁽⁵⁾ | I | | SERP Account |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 02/08/2008 | A | 193 | A | \$ 37.0175 | 371,743.9189 ⁽⁵⁾ | I | | SERP Account |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 02/08/2008 | A | 3,941 | A | \$ 37.02 | 375,684.9189 ⁽⁵⁾ | I | | SERP Account |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 02/08/2008 | A | 183 | A | \$ 37.025 | 375,867.9189 ⁽⁵⁾ | I | | SERP Account |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 02/08/2008 | A | 307 | A | \$ 37.0275 | 376,174.9189 ⁽⁵⁾ | I | | SERP Account |

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| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 02/08/2008 | A | 10,822 | A | \$ 37.03 | <u>386,996.9189</u> (5) | I | SERP Account |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 02/08/2008 | A | 200 | A | \$ 37.035 | <u>387,196.9189</u> (5) | I | SERP Account |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 02/08/2008 | A | 2,200 | A | \$ 37.04 | <u>389,396.9189</u> (5) | I | SERP Account |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 02/08/2008 | A | 814 | A | \$ 37.05 | <u>390,210.9189</u> (5) | I | SERP Account |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 02/08/2008 | A | 4,000 | A | \$ 37.06 | <u>394,210.9189</u> (5) | I | SERP Account |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 02/08/2008 | A | 1,300 | A | \$ 37.07 | <u>395,510.9189</u> (5) | I | SERP Account |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 02/08/2008 | A | 400 | A | \$ 37.08 | <u>395,910.9189</u> (5) | I | SERP Account |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 02/08/2008 | A | 1,600 | A | \$ 37.09 | <u>397,510.9189</u> (5) | I | SERP Account |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 02/08/2008 | A | 149 | A | \$ 37.1 | <u>397,659.9189</u> (5) | I | SERP Account |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 02/08/2008 | A | 1,151 | A | \$ 37.11 | <u>398,810.9189</u> (5) | I | SERP Account |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 02/08/2008 | A | 2,515 | A | \$ 37.12 | <u>401,325.9189</u> (5) | I | SERP Account |
| | 02/08/2008 | A | 1,038 | A | \$ 37.13 | | I | |

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| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 402,363.9189 <u>(5)</u> | | SERP Account |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 1,246 <u>(6)</u> | I | SZ JoAnn Trust |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 1,246 <u>(7)</u> | I | SZ Kellie Trust |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 1,246 <u>(8)</u> | I | SZ Matthew Trust |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 60,000 <u>(9)</u> | I | Zell Family Foundation |

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of 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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-----------------------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| ZELL SAMUEL TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA SUITE 600 CHICAGO, IL 60606 | X | | | Chairman of the Board |

Signatures

By: Yasmina Duwe,
Attorney-in-fact
Date: 02/12/2008

**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).
- (2) Shares reported herein are beneficially owned by the Helen Zell Revocable Trust (HZRT). Mr. Zell's spouse, Helen Zell, is the trustee of HZRT. Mr. Zell disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares reported as beneficially owned by him except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (8) Shares reported herein are beneficially owned by the SZ Matthew Trust (SZMT), of which Chai Trust Company, L.L.C. (Chai Trust) is the sole Trustee. Mr. Zell is not an officer or director of Chai Trust and does not have voting or dispositive power over such shares. Mr. Zell is beneficiary of the SZMT and, as such, Mr. Zell may be deemed the beneficial owner of the shares reported herein.
- (9) Shares reported herein are beneficially owned by the Zell Family Foundation (Foundation). Mr. Zell is a director of the Foundation and does not have a pecuniary interest in such shares.
- (3) Shares reported herein are beneficially owned by Samstock, L.L.C. (Samstock). The sole member of Samstock is SZ Investments, L.L.C. (SZ). The managing member of SZ is Zell General Partnership, Inc. (Zell GP). Sam Investment Trust (SIT) is the sole stockholder of Zell GP, and Chai Trust Company, L.L.C. (Chai Trust) is the trustee of SIT. Mr. Zell is not an officer or director of Chai Trust and does not have voting or dispositive power over such shares. Mr. Zell disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (4) Mr. Zell is sole trustee and beneficiary of the Samuel Zell Revocable Trust, and, as such, he may be deemed the beneficial owner of the shares reported herein.
- (6) Shares reported herein are beneficially owned by the SZ JoAnn Trust (SZJT), of which Chai Trust Company, L.L.C. (Chai Trust) is the sole Trustee. Mr. Zell is not an officer or director of Chai Trust and does not have voting or dispositive power over such shares. Mr. Zell is beneficiary of SZJT and, as such, Mr. Zell may be deemed the beneficial owner of the shares reported herein.
- (1) Direct total includes restricted shares of the Company scheduled to vest in the future along with shares acquired through dividend reinvestments.
- (5) Represents shares owned by AST Trust Company, as Trustee of the Equity Residential Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan, for the benefit of the reporting person.
- (7) Shares reported herein are beneficially owned by the SZ Kellie Trust (SZKT), of which Chai Trust Company, L.L.C. (Chai Trust) is the sole Trustee. Mr. Zell is not an officer or director of Chai Trust and does not have voting or dispositive power over such shares. Mr. Zell is beneficiary of the SZKT and, as such, Mr. Zell may be deemed the beneficial owner of the shares reported herein.

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