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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

EQUITY RESIDENTIAL [EQR]

Symbol

1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

		EC	EQUITY RESIDENTIAL [EQR]				(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 400			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/05/2010				Director 10% Owner Selection Other (specify below) Executive Vice President & CFO			
			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person		
CHICAGO,							Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) Common	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	on(A) or Dis (D) (Instr. 3, 4	sposed	of	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Shares Of Beneficial Interest	02/05/2010			A	10,828 (1)	A	\$0	31,494.559 (2)	D	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest								675.9022 (3)	I	401(k) Plan
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest								6,783.984 <u>(4)</u>	I	SERP Account

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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. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sl
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.97	02/05/2010		A	57,767	<u>(5)</u>	02/05/2020	Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	57,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Parrell Mark J. TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 400 CHICAGO, IL 60606

Executive Vice President & CFO

Signatures

s/ By: Yasmina Duwe, Attorney-in-fact

02/09/2010

**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 restricted shares scheduled to vest on February 5, 2013.
- (2) Direct total includes restricted shares of the Company scheduled to vest in the future along with shares acquired through dividend reinvestments.

Represents shares acquired through profit sharing contributions and dividend reinvestment activity in the reporting person's account with (3) the Equity Residential Advantage 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan, a plan qualified under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Such shares represent acquisitions through January 8, 2010.

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Represents shares owned by Principal Trust Company, as Trustee of the Equity Residential Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan (the "SERP"), for the benefit of the reporting person. Also includes restricted shares that the reporting person deferred to the SERP upon vesting of the shares and shares acquired through dividend reinvestments.

(5) Represents share options scheduled to vest in approximately three equal installments on February 5, 2011, February 5, 2012 and February 5, 2013.

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