

Ladder Capital Corp  
Form SC 13D/A  
March 03, 2017

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

**SCHEDULE 13D/A**

**Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
(Amendment No. 4)**

**Ladder Capital Corp**

(Name of Issuer)

**Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share**

(Title of Class of Securities)

**505743 104**

(CUSIP Number)

**Glenn Miller**

**TowerBrook Capital Partners L.P.**

**65 East 55th Street, 27th Floor**

**New York, New York 10022**

**(212) 699-2218**

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person  
Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

**March 1, 2017**

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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Schedule 13D

- 1 Names of Reporting Persons  
I.R.S. Identification Nos. of Above Persons (entities only)  
TowerBrook Investors, Ltd.
- 2 Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)  
(a)   
(b)
- 3 SEC Use Only
- 4 Source of Funds (See Instructions)  
OO
- 5 Check if Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e)
- 6 Citizenship or Place of Organization  
Cayman Islands
- |   |    |   |
|---|----|---|
|   | 7  | Sole Voting Power                       |
| Number of<br>Shares<br>Beneficially<br>Owned by<br>Each<br>Reporting<br>Person With | 8  | Shared Voting Power<br>11,465,378*      |
|   | 9  | Sole Dispositive Power                  |
|   | 10 | Shared Dispositive Power<br>11,465,378* |
- 11 Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person  
11,465,378\*
- 12 Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)
- 13 Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (11)  
10.4%\*
- 14 Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)  
OO

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| 2   | Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)<br>(a) <input type="radio"/><br>(b) <input type="radio"/> |
| 3   | SEC Use Only  |
| 4   | Source of Funds (See Instructions)<br>OO  |
| 5   | Check if Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e) <input type="radio"/>                     |
| 6   | Citizenship or Place of Organization<br>Cayman Islands  |
|   | 7            Sole Voting Power  |
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| 13  | Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (11)<br>10.4%*  |
| 14  | Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)<br>PN   |

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| 2   | Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)<br>(a) <input type="radio"/><br>(b) <input type="radio"/> |
| 3   | SEC Use Only  |
| 4   | Source of Funds (See Instructions)<br>OO  |
| 5   | Check if Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e) <input type="radio"/>                     |
| 6   | Citizenship or Place of Organization<br>Cayman Islands  |
|   | 7            Sole Voting Power  |
| Number of<br>Shares<br>Beneficially<br>Owned by<br>Each<br>Reporting<br>Person With | 8            Shared Voting Power<br>7,159,791*  |
|   | 9            Sole Dispositive Power   |
|   | 10           Shared Dispositive Power<br>7,159,791*   |
| 11  | Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person<br>7,159,791*  |
| 12  | Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) <input type="radio"/>                    |
| 13  | Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (11)<br>6.5%*   |
| 14  | Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)<br>PN   |

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TowerBrook Investors II Executive Fund, L.P.
- 2 Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)  
(a)   
(b)
- 3 SEC Use Only
- 4 Source of Funds (See Instructions)  
OO
- 5 Check if Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e)
- 6 Citizenship or Place of Organization  
Cayman Islands
- |   |    |  |
|---|----|--|
|   | 7  | Sole Voting Power                      |
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6.5%\*
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- 1 Names of Reporting Persons  
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TI II Ladder Holdings, LLC
- 2 Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)  
(a)   
(b)
- 3 SEC Use Only
- 4 Source of Funds (See Instructions)  
OO
- 5 Check if Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e)
- 6 Citizenship or Place of Organization  
Delaware
- 7 Sole Voting Power
- Number of  
Shares  
Beneficially  
Owned by  
Each  
Reporting  
Person With
- 8 Shared Voting Power  
7,159,791\*
- 9 Sole Dispositive Power
- 10 Shared Dispositive Power  
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- 1 Names of Reporting Persons  
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Neal Moszkowski
- 2 Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)  
(a)   
(b)
- 3 SEC Use Only
- 4 Source of Funds (See Instructions)  
OO
- 5 Check if Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e)
- 6 Citizenship or Place of Organization  
U.S.A.
- 7 Sole Voting Power
- 8 Shared Voting Power  
11,465,378\*
- 9 Sole Dispositive Power
- 10 Shared Dispositive Power  
11,465,378\*
- 11 Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person  
11,465,378\*
- 12 Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)
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10.4%\*
- 14 Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)  
IN

Number of  
Shares  
Beneficially  
Owned by  
Each  
Reporting  
Person With

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|---|---|
| 1   | Names of Reporting Persons<br>I.R.S. Identification Nos. of Above Persons (Entities Only)<br>Ramez Sousou                     |
| 2   | Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)<br>(a) <input type="radio"/><br>(b) <input type="radio"/> |
| 3   | SEC Use Only  |
| 4   | Source of Funds (See Instructions)<br>OO  |
| 5   | Check if Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e) <input type="radio"/>                     |
| 6   | Citizenship or Place of Organization<br>U.K.  |
|   | 7            Sole Voting Power  |
| Number of<br>Shares<br>Beneficially<br>Owned by<br>Each<br>Reporting<br>Person With | 8            Shared Voting Power<br>11,465,378*   |
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| 13  | Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (11)<br>10.4%*  |
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This Amendment No. 4 ( Amendment No. 4 ) amends and supplements the statements on Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 21, 2014 (the Original Schedule 13D ), as amended by Amendment No. 1 to the Original Schedule 13D filed on January 28, 2016, Amendment No. 2 to the Original Schedule 13D filed on December 12, 2016 and Amendment No. 3 to the Original Schedule 13D filed on February 3, 2017, relating to the Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share ( Class A Common Stock ), of Ladder Capital Corp (the Company ). The Original Schedule 13D is hereby amended as follows:

### **Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.**

Item 3 of the Original Schedule 13D is hereby amended, with effect from the date of the event giving rise to this Amendment No. 4, by adding the following at the end thereof:

On February 27, 2017, Ladder Capital Corp ( Ladder or the Company ), Related Real Estate Fund II, L.P. ( Related ), which is an affiliate of The Related Companies, L.P., and certain pre-IPO stockholders of Ladder, including TI II Ladder Holdings, LLC ( TI Holdings ) and TowerBrook Investors II AIV, L.P. ( AIV II ), entered into a Stock Purchase Agreement, pursuant to which Related agreed to purchase (the February 2017 Equity Sale ) \$80.0 million of Ladder 's Class A common stock (the Shares ) from the pre-IPO stockholders, including TI Holdings and AIV II. The investment was made by a wholly owned subsidiary of Related. The February 2017 Equity Sale closed on March 3, 2017.

In connection with the February 2017 Equity Sale, on March 1, 2017, TI Holdings exchanged 1,117,326 shares of Class B Common Stock and units of Series REIT of Ladder Capital Finance Holdings ( LCFH ) and units of Series TRS of LCFH (collectively, the Units ) into 1,117,326 shares of Class A Common Stock. No cash or other consideration was exchanged in connection with the foregoing exchanges.

### **Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.**

Item 4 of the Original Schedule 13D is hereby amended, with effect from the date of the event giving rise to this Amendment No. 4, by adding the following at the end thereof:

In connection with the February 2017 Equity Sale, on March 3, 2017, TI Holdings completed a sale of 1,117,326 shares of Class A Common Stock to Related and AIV II completed a sale of 674,843 shares of Class A Common Stock to Related, in each case at a price of \$13.59 per share.

### **Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.**

Item 5 of the Original Schedule 13D is hereby amended and restated in its entirety, with effect from the date of the event giving rise to this Amendment No. 4, as follows:

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The ownership percentages set forth below are based on 72,291,533 shares of Class A Common Stock and 38,434,658 Units and shares of Class B Common Stock outstanding as set forth in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 24, 2017.

(a) TI Holdings directly owns 7,159,791 Units and shares of Class B Common Stock, representing 6.5% of the total number of Class A Common Stock outstanding, assuming that all vested and unvested Units outstanding, except those held directly or indirectly by the Company, together with all outstanding Class B Common Stock are exchanged into shares of Class A Common Stock. TI Holdings is jointly controlled by TowerBrook Investors II, L.P. ( Fund II ) and TowerBrook Investors II Executive Fund, L.P. ( Executive Fund II ), each of which is controlled by its sole general partner, TowerBrook Investors GP II, L.P. ( Fund II GP ), which is controlled by its sole general partner, TowerBrook Investors, Ltd. ( TowerBrook ) and, together, with TI Holdings, AIV II, Fund II and Fund II GP, the TowerBrook Entities ). As a result, TI Holdings, Fund II, Executive Fund II, Fund II GP and TowerBrook may be deemed to beneficially own the 7,159,791 Units and shares of Class B Common Stock owned by TI Holdings. As directors and joint controlling shareholders of TowerBrook, Neal Moszkowski and Ramez Sousou (together with the TowerBrook Entities, the Reporting Persons ) may be deemed to beneficially own the 7,159,791 Units and shares of Class B Common Stock owned by TI Holdings.

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(b) AIV II directly owns 4,305,587 shares of Class A Common Stock, representing 3.9% of the total number of Class A Common Stock outstanding, assuming that all vested and unvested Units outstanding, except those held by the Company, together with all outstanding Class B Common Stock are exchanged into shares of Class A Common Stock. AIV II is controlled by its general partner, Fund II GP, and Fund II GP is controlled by its general partner, TowerBrook. As a result, AIV II, Fund II GP and TowerBrook may be deemed to beneficially own the 4,305,587 shares of Class A Common Stock owned by AIV II. As directors and joint controlling shareholders of TowerBrook, Neal Moszkowski and Ramez Sousou may be deemed to beneficially own the 4,305,587 shares of Class A Common Stock owned by AIV II.

(c) The Reporting Persons have and will have the shared power to vote and dispose of the shares of the securities that they beneficially own, by virtue of the relationships described above.

(d) To the best knowledge of the Reporting Persons, except as described in Items 3 and 4, none of the Reporting Persons has effected a transaction in Units, shares of Class B Common Stock or shares of Class A Common Stock during the past 60 days (other than transactions that may have been effected in the ordinary course of business in an agency or a fiduciary capacity).

Other than the Reporting Persons, no other person is known to have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of the Reporting Persons' securities.

(e) Not applicable.

### Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits.

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| Exhibit 1 | Joint Filing Agreement, dated February 21, 2014 among the Reporting Persons.*  |
| Exhibit 2 | Third Amended and Restated Limited Liability Limited Partnership Agreement, dated December 31, 2014, by and among Ladder Capital Finance Holdings LLLP, each General Partner and each Person party thereto or otherwise bound as a Limited Partner (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to Ladder Capital Corp's Form 8-K filed on January 2, 2015).             |
| Exhibit 3 | Amendment to Third Amended and Restated Limited Liability Limited Partnership Agreement, dated November 30, 2015, by and among Ladder Capital Finance Holdings LLLP, each General Partner and each Person party thereto or otherwise bound as a Limited Partner (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Ladder Capital Corp's Form 10-K filed on March 7, 2016). |
| Exhibit 4 | Second Amended and Restated Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of March 3, 2017, by and among Ladder Capital Corp, Ladder Capital Finance Holdings LLLP and each of the Ladder Investors (as defined therein) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.2 to Ladder Capital Corp's Form 8-K filed on March 3, 2017).   |

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\* Previously filed.

**SIGNATURE**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

March 3, 2017

/s/ Neal Moszkowski  
Neal Moszkowski

/s/ Ramez Sousou  
Ramez Sousou

**TOWERBROOK INVESTORS, LTD.**

By: /s/ Neal Moszkowski  
Name: Neal Moszkowski  
Title: Director

**TOWERBROOK INVESTORS GP II, L.P.**

By: TowerBrook Investors, Ltd.,  
its General Partner

By: /s/ Glenn F. Miller  
Name: Glenn F. Miller  
Title: Attorney-in-Fact

**TOWERBROOK INVESTORS II, L.P.**

By: TowerBrook Investors GP II, L.P.  
Its: General Partner

By: TowerBrook Investors, Ltd.  
Its: General Partner

By: /s/ Glenn F. Miller  
Name: Glenn F. Miller  
Title: Attorney-in-Fact

**TOWERBROOK INVESTORS II EXECUTIVE FUND, L.P.**

By: TowerBrook Investors GP II, L.P.  
Its: General Partner

By: TowerBrook Investors, Ltd.  
Its: General Partner

By: /s/ Glenn F. Miller  
Name: Glenn F. Miller  
Title: Attorney-in-Fact

**TI II LADDER HOLDINGS, LLC**

TOWERBROOK INVESTORS II, L.P.

By: /s/ Glenn F. Miller  
Name: Glenn F. Miller  
Title: Attorney-in-Fact

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