

Sprain Jeffrey R  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Sprain Jeffrey R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
PREFERRED APARTMENT COMMUNITIES INC [APTS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
3284 NORTHSIDE PARKWAY,  
NW, SUITE 150  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/02/2019

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

ATLANTA, GA 30327

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|  |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Price  |   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share |                                      |  |                                |   | 2,003   | D  |                                   |

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. P  |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------|
| Class A Units <sup>(1)</sup>               | \$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup> <sup>(2)</sup> <sub>(3)</sub>      | 01/02/2019 <sup>(1)(2)(3)</sup>      |  | A                              | 7,001 <sub>(2)</sub> <sub>(3)</sub>   | <sup>(1)(2)(3)</sup> <sub>(1)</sub>                      | Common Stock  | 7,001 |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |             |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer     | Other |
| Sprain Jeffrey R<br>3284 NORTHSIDE PARKWAY, NW<br>SUITE 150<br>ATLANTA, GA 30327 |               |           | See Remarks |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Shirley Day, as attorney-in-fact  
01/04/2019

\*\*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 Class A Units ("Class A Units") of Preferred Apartment Communities Operating Partnership, L.P., of which Preferred Apartment Communities, Inc. (the "Company") is the general partner. Each Class A Unit may be exchanged for one share of the Company's common stock, or cash, as selected by the Company. Class A Units have no expiration date.

(2) On January 4, 2016, the reporting person was awarded a maximum of 10,790 Class B Units of the Operating Partnership ("2016 Class B Units") issued in lieu of any reimbursement for annual cash compensation for 2016, 2017 and 2018, subject to certain performance and time based conditions. As of January 3, 2017, all performance conditions were met for the 2016 Class B Units. When earned and vested, each Class B Unit is converted into a Class A Unit. On January 2, 2019, the final 3,596 2016 Class B Units vested and converted to Class A Units.

(3) On January 3, 2017, the reporting person was awarded a maximum of 10,216 Class B Units of the Operating Partnership ("2017 Class B Units") issued in lieu of any reimbursement for annual cash compensation for 2017, 2018 and 2019, subject to certain performance and time-based conditions. As of January 2, 2018, all performance conditions were met for the 2017 Class B Units. On January 2, 2019, 3,405 of the 2017 Class B Units fully vested and were converted into Class A Units. Subject to time-based conditions, the remaining 3,405 unvested 2017 Class B Units will vest on January 2, 2020 and will convert to Class A Units on that date.

**Remarks:**

Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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