

Wetzel Mark L
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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 *
 Wetzel Mark L

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE
 PLAZA, SUITE 400
 (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)
 02/03/2006

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)
 Chief Accounting Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (D) Price		
Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	02/03/2006		A ⁽¹⁾		1,508 A \$ 42.8	7,838 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Shares of Beneficial Interest						14,304 ⁽³⁾	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. 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.55					02/07/2005	02/07/2013	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	4,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.2					01/16/2003	01/16/2012	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	6,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.25					01/27/2005	01/27/2014	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	8,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 31.76					02/03/2006	02/03/2008	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	7,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 42.8	02/03/2006		A	5,108	02/03/2007	02/03/2017	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	5,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Wetzel Mark L TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 400 CHICAGO, IL 60606			Chief Accounting Officer	

Signatures

By: Barbara Shuman,
Attorney-in-fact

02/07/2006

__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 on this line are owned directly and some are subject to vesting.
- (4) Share options reported on this line become exercisable in three equal installments on February 3, 2007, February 3, 2008 and February 3, 2009.
- (1) The Restricted shares reported in this grant are scheduled to vest on February 3, 2009.
- (3) Shares reported herein are owned by the Security Trust Company, as Trustee of the Equity Residential Supplemental Retirement Plan for the benefit of the reporting person and were acquired through Equity Residential's Employee Share Purchase Plan.

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