

Wetzel Mark L  
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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 \*  
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)  
02/28/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Chief Accounting Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Shares of Beneficial Interest					6,167 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	02/28/2006		A	2,822 A \$ 35.43	18,797 <sup>(2)</sup>	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 Securities (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	4,613
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.2					01/16/2003	01/16/2012	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	6,896
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.25					01/27/2005	01/27/2014	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	8,297
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 31.76					02/03/2006	02/03/2008	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	7,082
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 42.8					02/03/2007	02/03/2017	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	5,108

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other  
Chief Accounting Officer

Wetzel Mark L  
TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 400  
CHICAGO, IL 60606

## Signatures

By: Barbara Shuman,  
Attorney-in-fact

03/02/2006

    \*\*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).
- (1) Shares reported on this line are owned directly and some are subject to vesting.
- (3) Share options reported on this line become exercisable in three equal installments on February 3, 2007, February 3, 2008 and February 3, 2009.
- (2) Shares reported herein are owned by the AST 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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