

Whitestone REIT  
Form 8-K  
August 24, 2010

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**WASHINGTON, DC 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE**  
**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): August 24, 2010**

**Whitestone REIT**

**(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)**

**Maryland**  
**(State or Other Jurisdiction**  
  
**of Incorporation)**

**000-50256**  
**(Commission**  
  
**File Number)**

**76-0594970**  
**(IRS Employer**  
  
**Identification No.)**

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**2600 South Gessner, Suite 500, Houston, TX**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**77063**  
(Zip Code)

**(713) 827-9595**

**(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)**

**Not Applicable**

**(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)**

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- ..  Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 5.03. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.**

On August 24, 2010, Whitestone REIT, Maryland real estate investment trust (the Company), filed with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland (the SDAT) amendments to its declaration of trust that (i) changed the name of all of its common shares of beneficial interest, par value \$0.001 to Class A common shares, (the Class A Common Shares) (ii) effected a 1-for-3 reverse share split of its Class A Common Shares, and (iii) changed the par value of the Class A Common Shares to \$0.001 per share after the reverse share split. In addition, the Company filed with the SDAT articles supplementary to its declaration of trust that created a new class of common shares of beneficial interest, par value \$0.001, entitled Class B common shares (the Class B Common Shares). The rights of the Class A common shareholders did not change with the change in the title of the class. Each Class B Common Share has the following rights:

the right to vote together with Class A common shareholders on all matters submitted to the Company's shareholders;

one vote on all matters voted upon by the Company's shareholders;

the right to receive dividends equal to any dividends declared on the Class A Common Shares; and

liquidation rights equal to the liquidation rights of each Class A Common Share.

Each of the articles of amendment and the articles supplementary were effective upon filing with the SDAT. A copy of each of the articles of amendment and the articles supplementary is filed as an exhibit to this report.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

- 3.1 Articles of Amendment to the Declaration of Trust, effective August 24, 2010
- 3.2 Articles of Amendment to the Declaration of Trust, effective August 24, 2010
- 3.3 Articles Supplementary to the Declaration of Trust, effective August 24, 2010

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**Whitestone REIT**

Date: August 24, 2010

By: /s/ David K. Holeman  
David K. Holeman  
*Chief Financial Officer*