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FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Form 4 or Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Dunn Lili F Issuer Symbol **AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES** (Check all applicable) INC [AVB] (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 2900 EISENHOWER AVE., SUITE 11/11/2009 Senior Vice President 300 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed 3.		4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock, Par value \$.01 per share	11/11/2009		J	15,491 (1)	D	\$ 0	29,298.314	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	11/13/2009		J	1 (1)	D	\$ 0	29,297.314	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01	02/11/2010		A	2,161	A	\$ 0 (2)	31,458.314 (3)	D	

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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	Amoun or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 74.2	02/11/2010		A	3,417	02/11/2011(4)	02/11/2020	Common Stock	3,417

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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2900 EISENHOWER AVE., SUITE 300

Senior Vice President

ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314

Signatures

Catherine T. White, as attorney-in-fact under Power of Attorney dated January 26, 2009

02/16/2010

**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) Reflects transfer of shares to reporting person's spouse's account.

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Reflects grant of shares of restricted stock under the Company's Stock Option and Incentive Plan, which shares are subject to vesting requirements.

- (3) The amount of securities owned following the reported transaction reflects direct ownership of all shares of common stock, including restricted shares.
- (4) These options vest in three annual installments, with the first installment vesting on 2/11/2011.
- (5) Reflects grant of options under the Company's Stock Option and Incentive Plan.
- Following the reported transaction, the reporting person holds a total of 94,298 options to purchase the issuer's common stock granted on various dates and with varying exercise prices and vesting dates.

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