Breslin Sean J. Form 4 May 04, 2011

FORM 4

Section 16.

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Breslin Sean J.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

INC [AVB]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O AVALONBAY

05/02/2011

X_ Officer (give title below) **Executive Vice President**

COMMUNITIES,

INC., BALLSTON TOWER, 671 N.

05/02/2011

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GLEBE ROAD

Stock, par

value \$.01 per share

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

M

M

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

13,072.5199

D

D

\$86.4

\$48.6

Director

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

ARLINGTON, VA 22203

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Dispose	d 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)	5. Amount of Securities Acquired Securities Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction((A) Or Or Or Code V Amount (D) Price	Ownership Indirect Form: Beneficial Direct (D) Ownership or Indirect (I) (I) (I) (I) (I) (I) (I) (I)
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share Common	05/02/2011		M 3,000 A \$ 96.19 (1)	⁹⁹ D

1,156

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Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share						13,075.5199	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	05/02/2011	S	3,000	D	\$ 127	10,075.5199 (1)	D
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	05/02/2011	F	786	D	\$ 127.18	9,289.5199 (1)	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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 $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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 conf 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
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 96.19	05/02/2011		M	3,000	02/09/2007(2)	02/09/2016	Common Stock	3,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 86.4	05/02/2011		M	1,156	02/11/2009(4)	02/11/2018	Common Stock	1,156
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 48.6	05/02/2011		M	3	02/11/2010(6)	02/11/2019	Common Stock	3

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Breslin Sean J. C/O AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES, INC. BALLSTON TOWER, 671 N. GLEBE ROAD ARLINGTON, VA 22203

Executive Vice President

Signatures

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

05/04/2011

**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) The amount of secuities owned following the reported transaction reflects direct ownership of all shares of common stock, including restricted stock.
- (2) The options exercised were included in options granted under the issuer's stock option and incentive plan on February 9, 2006, which become exercisable in three annual installments beginning on February 9, 2007.
- (3) Following the reported transaction, the reporting person held a total of 19,883 options to purchase the issuer's common stock granted on various dates and with varying exercise prices and vesting dates.
- (4) The options exercised were included in options granted under the issuer's stock option and incentive plan on February 11, 2008 which became exercisable in three equal installments beginning on February 11, 2009.
- (5) Following the reported transaction, the reporting person held a total of 18,727 options to purchase the issuer's common stock granted on various dates and with varying exercise prices and vesting dates.
- (6) The options exercised were included in options granted under the issuer's stock option and incentive plan on February 11, 2009 which became exercisable in three equal installments beginning on February 11, 2010.
- (7) Following the reported transaction, the reporting person holds a total of 18,724 options to purchase the issuer's common stock granted on various dates and with varying exercise prices and vesting dates.

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