

COUSINS PROPERTIES INC
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
COURTS RICHARD W II

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
COUSINS PROPERTIES INC [CUZ]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 2500 WINDY RIDGE
 PARKWAY, SUITE 1600

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 08/15/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

(Street)
 ATLANTA, GA 30339

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 08/15/2006 | | A ⁽¹⁾ | 489 A \$ 31.1505 | 87,774 ⁽²⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 1,687,500 ⁽³⁾ | I | By Atlantic Investment Company |
| Common Stock | | | | | 3,375 ⁽⁴⁾ | I | By Atlantic Investment Company Profit Sharing |

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(5) Shares held by the Courts Foundation for which the reporting person serves as President.

(6) Shares held by the reporting person's wife.

1,216 shares held by the reporting person through an Individual Retirement Plan. 10,274 shares held by the reporting person through a Simplified Employee Pension Plan. These shares will vest 25% per year on each anniversary date of the grant, and CPI will hold these shares until such shares become vested. While the shares are being held prior to vesting, the reporting person will have the right to receive all cash dividends and to vote the restricted shares. All unvested shares will forfeit if the Director's service as a member of the CPI Board of Directors terminates, unless term is due to death of reporting person.

Award of restricted stock units under the Cousins Properties Incorporated (CPI) 2005 Restricted Stock Unit Plan, as amended. Each unit represents a right to receive a payment in cash equal to the fair market value of one share of CPI's common stock as of the date payment is due under the Plan. These units will vest 25% per year on each anniversary date of the grant, with units being 100% vested in year 4 of the grant term. While the shares are being held prior to vesting, the reporting person will have the right to receive all cash dividends but will not have shareholder rights. All unvested shares will forfeit if the Director's service as a member of the CPI Board of Directors terminates, unless separation is due to death or change in control.

(3) Shares held by Atlantic Investment Company for which the reporting person serves as Chairman.

(1) Stock granted in lieu of cash for director's fees under the Cousins Properties Incorporated 1999 Incentive Stock Plan.

(4) Shares held by Atlantic Investment Company in a profit sharing account for which the reporting person serves as Chairman.

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