

Kazel Ronald Daniel  
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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 \*  
 Kazel Ronald Daniel

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 ANNALY CAPITAL  
 MANAGEMENT INC [NLY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/13/2011

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

C/O: ANNALY CAPITAL  
 MANAGEMENT, INC., 1211  
 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS,  
 SUITE 2902

(Street)

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

NEW YORK, NY 10036

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| Common Stock                    | 12/13/2011                           |  | M                              | V<br>15,000<br>A<br>\$<br>13.25                                   | 156,938   | D  |  |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 755   | I  | By Wife                                    |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 2,833   | I  | By 401(K) plan                             |
| Class A Preferred               |                                      |  |                                |   | 4,400   | I  | By 401(K) plan                             |

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Stock

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 |                    | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) |                 | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|--|-----------------|---|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  |                                | Acquired (A)                       | or Disposed of (D) | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date | Title   | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Option to purchase Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup> | \$ 17.97   |                                      |  |                                |                                    |                    | 08/04/2004   | 08/04/2013      | Common Stock  | 15,000                     |
| Option to purchase Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup> | \$ 17.39   |                                      |  |                                |                                    |                    | 04/19/2005   | 04/19/2014      | Common Stock  | 13,251                     |
| Option to purchase Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup> | \$ 17.07   |                                      |  |                                |                                    |                    | 07/07/2006   | 07/07/2015      | Common Stock  | 23,377                     |
| Option to purchase Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup> | \$ 15.7  |                                      |  |                                |                                    |                    | 05/17/2008   | 05/17/2017      | Common Stock  | 10,000                     |
| Option to purchase Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup> | \$ 16.46   |                                      |  |                                |                                    |                    | 05/08/2009   | 05/08/2018      | Common Stock  | 53,000                     |
| Option to purchase Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup> | \$ 15.61   |                                      |  |                                |                                    |                    | 09/19/2009   | 09/19/2018      | Common Stock  | 53,000                     |
|  | \$ 13.25   | 12/13/2011                           |  | M                              | 15,000                             |                    | 04/22/2010   | 04/22/2019      |   | 15,000                     |

Option to  
purchase  
Common  
Stock (1)

Common  
Stock

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                   |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |
| Kazel Ronald Daniel<br>C/O: ANNALY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, INC.<br>1211 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, SUITE 2902<br>NEW YORK, NY 10036 |               |           | Managing Director |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Ronald D.  
Kazel

12/14/2011

\*\*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) Options previously granted.

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