Breslin Sean J. Form 4 March 15, 2013

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES INC [AVB]

(Check all applicable)

Executive Vice President

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/13/2013

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

C/O AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES.

INC., BALLSTON TOWER, 671 N.

(Street)

(State)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

GLEBE ROAD

(City)

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

ARLINGTON, VA 22203

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) any (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Securities Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or Price (D)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common

per share

Stock, par 03/13/2013 value \$.01

20,850.7767 \$0 3,944 (1) (2)

D

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 or 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 A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securition
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 126.78	03/13/2013		A	10,089	03/13/2014(3)	03/13/2023	Common Stock	10,0

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

03/15/2013

**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 grant of shares of restricted stock under the Company's Stock Option and Incentive Plan, which shares are subject to vesting requirements.
- The amount of secuities owned following the reported transaction reflects direct ownership of all shares of common stock, including restricted stock
- (3) These options vest in three annual installments, with the first installment vesting on 3/13/2014.
- (4) Reflects grant of options under the Company's Stock Option and Incentive Plan.
- (5) Following the reported transaction, the reporting person holds a total of 35,704 options to purchase the issuer's common stock granted on various dates and with varying exercise prices and vesting dates.

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