FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* WILLIAMS AMY P		on*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES INC [AVB]	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner						
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/21/2003	Officer (give title Other (specify below)						
(Street)			If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						

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)		Code (Instr.		Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	05/21/2003		A		2,500	Α	0(1)	7,500(2)	D	

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		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Ir 8)		Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Optons to Purchase Common Stock	43.14	05/21/2003		A		7,000		05/21/2004	05/21/2013	Common Stock	7,000	\$0 ⁽⁴⁾	21,000 ⁽³⁾	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Reflects grant of 2,500 restricted shares of common stock under the Company's stock option and incentive plan, which shares are subject to vesting requirements.
- 2. The amount of securities owned following the reported transaction reflects direct ownership of all shares of common stock, including restricted shares.
- 3. The amount of securities owned following the reported transaction includes options granted in prior periods with varying exercise prices and vesting dates.
- 4. Reflects grant of 7,000 options to purchase Common Stock at an exercise price of \$43.14 per share.

Edward M. Schulman under Power of Attorney dated May 20, 2003

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- * 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).

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LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES, INC. SECTION 16(A) FILINGS

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Thomas J. Sargeant, Joanne M. Lockridge, and Edward M. Schulman, signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) Execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer, director and/or stockholder of AvalonBay Communities, Inc. (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4, and 5 and amendments thereto in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (2) Do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5 or amendment thereto and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) Take any other action of any type whatsoever which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be necessary or desirable in connection with the foregoing authority, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transaction in securities of the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact. This Power of Attorney may be filed with the SEC as a confirming statement of the authority granted herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 20th day of May, 2003.

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/s/ Amy P Williams