FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Ferson			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES INC [AVB]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
BLAIR BRYCE	2		[I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I	X	Director	10% Owner			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)		X	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
C/O AVALONBAY			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/12/2004		CEO and President				
(Street) ALEXANDRIA VA 22314		22314	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indivi	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applical X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				
(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)		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.	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	02/12/2004		A		19,842	A	\$0 ⁽¹⁾	153,140.089(2)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	02/13/2004		F		849	D	\$50.26	152,291.089 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share								435	I	Held in trust for minor children

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)		Derivative				7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of 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)		
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$50.6	02/12/2004		A		104,312		02/12/2005 ⁽³⁾	02/12/2014	Common Stock	104,312	\$0 ⁽⁴⁾	518,561 ⁽⁵⁾	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Reflects grant of shares of restricted 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. These options vest in three annual installments, with the first installment vesting on 2/12/2005.
- 4. Reflects grant of options under the Company's Stock Option and Incentive Plan.
- 5. The amount of securities owned following the reported transaction includes options granted in prior periods with varying exercise prices and vesting dates.

Remarks:

Edward M. Schulman, as attorneyin-fact under Power of Attorney 02/17/2004 dated January 1, 2000

** 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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