FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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	1 0		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES INC [AVB] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/23/2004	(Check all a X Di X O	applicable) virector vfficer (give tit elow)	ting Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner le Other (spec below) and President							
(Street) ALEXANDRIA (City)	VA (State)	22314 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	X Fo	orm filed by C	up Filing (Check Applicable One Reporting Person Nore than One Reporting Pe							

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 A Disposed Of (I	cquired (A D) (Instr. 3,) or 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	04/23/2004		М		9,500	Α	\$32	158,999.089(1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	04/23/2004		s		100	D	\$50.65	158,899.089(1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	04/23/2004		s		1,000	D	\$50.45	157,899.089(1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	04/23/2004		S		100	D	\$50.42	157,799.089(1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	04/23/2004		s		600	D	\$50.41	157,199.089(1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	04/23/2004		S		900	D	\$50.4	156,299.089(1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	04/23/2004		S		2,000	D	\$50.35	154,299.089(1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	04/23/2004		S		1,000	D	\$50.32	153,299(1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	04/23/2004		S		1,400	D	\$50.25	151,899.089(1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	04/23/2004		S		1,400	D	\$50.2	150,499.089(1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	04/23/2004		S		1,000	D	\$50.16	149,499.089(1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	04/26/2004		М		9,500	Α	\$32	158,999.089(1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	04/26/2004		s		2,000	D	\$50.52	156,999.089(1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	04/26/2004		S		1,000	D	\$50.51	155,999.089(1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	04/26/2004		S		1,000	D	\$50.5	154,999.089(1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	04/26/2004		S		2,000	D	\$50.45	152,999.089(1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	04/26/2004		S		200	D	\$50.4	152,799.089(1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	04/26/2004		s		800	D	\$50.36	151,999.089(1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	04/26/2004		S		1,200	D	\$50.35	150,799.089(1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	04/26/2004		S		300	D	\$50.34	150,499.089(1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	04/26/2004		S		1,000	D	\$50.25	149,999.089(1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share								435(2)	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	Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Ir	4. Fransaction Code (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 4. Code (Instr. 5. Code (Instr. 5. Code (Instr. 6. Code (Instr. 6. Code (Instr. 6. Code (Instr. 7. Code (Instr. 7. 7. Code (Instr. 7. 7. Code (Instr. 7. 7. Code (Instr. 7. 7. 7. Code (Instr. 7. 7. 7. 7. Code (Instr. 7. 7. 7. 7. 7. 7. 7. 7. 7. 7		te	7. Title and Am Securities Und Derivative Sec 3 and 4)	erlying	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	\$32	04/23/2004		М			9,500	02/17/2000 ⁽³⁾	02/17/2009	Common Stock	9,500	\$0 ⁽³⁾	509,061 ⁽⁴⁾	D	

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				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Buy)															
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$32	04/26/2004		М			9,500	02/17/2000 ⁽³⁾	02/17/2009	Common Stock	9,500	\$0 ⁽³⁾	499,561 ⁽⁵⁾	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The amount of securities owned following the reported transaction reflects direct ownership of all shares of common stock, including restricted shares.

2. No transaction is reported. The amount of securities owned following the reported transaction is included for information purposes only.

3. The options exercised were included in options granted on February 17, 1999 which became exercisable in three equal annual installments beginning on February 17, 2000.

4. The number of derivative securities beneficially owned following the reported transaction includes options with varying exercise prices and vesting dates. Following the reported transaction, the reporting person continues to hold 37,000 options that expire on February 17, 2009 with an exercise price of \$32.00.

5. The number of derivative securities beneficially owned following the reported transaction includes options with varying exercise prices and vesting dates. Following the reported transaction, the reporting person continues to hold 27,500 options that expire on February 17, 2009 with an exercise price of \$32.00.

Remarks:

Edward M. Schulman, as attorney-

in-fact under Power of Attorney

04/27/2004

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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