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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| McLaughlin William M  (Last) (First) (Middle) |            |                | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES INC [ AVB ] |                          | tionship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) |           |  |
|---|------------|----------------|---|--------------------------|--|-----------|--|
|   |            |                | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/30/2014                   | Executive Vice President |  |           |  |
| (Street) ARLINGTON (City)                     | VA (State) | 22203<br>(Zip) | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                      | 6. Indivi                | dual or Joint/Group Filing (C<br>Form filed by One Reporti<br>Form filed by More than C  | ng Person |  |

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)         | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |   | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |               |         | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially Owned<br>Following Reported | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership                               |
|---|--|---|---|---|--|---------------|---------|--|---|--|
|   |  |   | Code                                    | v | Amount   | (A) or<br>(D) | Price   | Transaction(s) (Instr.<br>3 and 4)                                     |   | (Instr. 4)   |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 04/30/2014                                 |   | M                                       |   | 14,047   | Α             | \$48.6  | 64,644.259(1)  | D   |  |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 04/30/2014                                 |   | S                                       |   | 14,047   | D             | \$136.5 | 50,597.259(1)  | D   |  |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share |  |   |   |   |  |               |         | 1,160(2)   | I   | Held by<br>children<br>in<br>household<br>or in trust<br>for<br>children |

## Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security |            | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Transaction Derivative Code (Instr. Securities |   | Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) |        | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Securities Underlying<br>Derivative Security (Instr.<br>3 and 4) |                    | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |   |  |
|--|---|------------|---|--|---|----------------------------------|--------|--|--------------------|---|--|--|--|---|--|
|  |   |            |   | Code   | v | (A)                              | (D)    | Date<br>Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares  |  | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4)                                       |   |  |
| Stock Options<br>(Right to Buy)                  | \$48.6  | 04/30/2014 |   | M  |   |                                  | 14,047 | 02/11/2010 <sup>(3)</sup>  | 02/11/2019         | Common<br>Stock                                     | 14,047   | \$0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>  | 0 <sup>(4)</sup>   | 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 indirectly following the reported transactions is included for information purposes only.
- 3. The options exercised were included in options granted under the issuer's stock option and incentive plan on February 11, 2009, which became exercisable in three equal annual installments beginning on February 11, 2010.
- 4. Following the reported transaction, the reporting person holds a total of 62,176 options to purchase the issuer's common stock granted on various dates and with varying exercise prices and vesting dates.

#### Remarks:

Catherine T. White, as attorney-infact under Power of Attorney dated 05/01/2014 February 22, 2010.

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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