FORM 4

### **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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|---|------------------|----------|--|---|-------------------------------|------------------------|--|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Ferson |                  |          | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES INC [ AVB ] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) |                               |                        |  |  |  |
| Wilson Stephen W                        |                  |          | [  | l   | Director                      | 10% Owner              |  |  |  |
| (Loot)                                  | (Firet)          | /Middle) |  | X   | Officer (give title below)    | Other (specify below)  |  |  |  |
|   |                  |          | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)                                     | Executive Vice President  |                               |                        |  |  |  |
| C/O AVALONBAY                           | COMMUNITIES,     | INC.     | 02/12/2015   |   |                               |                        |  |  |  |
| BALLSTON TOW                            | ER, 671 N. GLEBE | ROAD     |  |   |                               |                        |  |  |  |
| (Street)                                |                  |          | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                             | 6. Indivi   | dual or Joint/Group Filing (0 | Check Applicable Line) |  |  |  |
| ARLINGTON                               | VA               | 22203    |  | X   | Form filed by One Report      | ŭ                      |  |  |  |
| (City)                                  | (State)          | (Zip)    |  |   | ,                             | , <b>3</b>             |  |  |  |

### 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>Transac<br>Code (Ir<br>8) |   | 4. Securities Ac<br>Disposed Of (D |               |                              | Securities                 |   | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---|--|---|---------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|---|---|
|   |  |   | Code                            | v | Amount                             | (A) or<br>(D) | Price                        | 3 and 4)                   |   |   |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 02/12/2015                                 |   | A                               |   | 9,271                              | A             | <b>\$0.00</b> <sup>(1)</sup> | 29,921.3155 <sup>(2)</sup> | D |   |

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

|  | Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |  | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D) (Instr. 3, 4<br>and 5) |  | Expiration Date |   | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Securities Underlying<br>Derivative Security (Instr.<br>3 and 4) |     | Derivative          | 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 or<br>Number of<br>Shares                                   |  | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) |  |

#### 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.

### Remarks:

Catherine T. White, as attorney-infact under Power of Attorney dated 02/17/2015 February 17, 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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