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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* SCHULMAN EDWARD M | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES INC [AVB] | | ationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer k all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify | | |
|---|---|----------------|---|-----------|--|-------------------|--|
| | (First) 7 COMMUNITIES, 7 7 ER, 671 N. GLEBE | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/07/2019 | | EVP-General (| below) Counsel | |
| (Street) ARLINGTON (City) | VA (State) | 22203 (Zip) | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Indivi | dual or Joint/Group Filing (Form filed by One Repor Form filed by More than | ting 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) | 3. Transac Code (Ir 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 (Instr. 4) |
|---|--|---|---------------------------------|---|--|---------------|----------|--|---|---|
| | | | | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | 3 and 4) | | (111501. 4) |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 03/07/2019 | | M | | 752 | A | \$132.95 | 23,863.2497(1) | D | |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 03/07/2019 | | M | | 767 | A | \$130.23 | 24,630.2497(1) | D | |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 03/07/2019 | | F | | 1,023(2) | D | \$195.5 | 23,607.2497(1) | 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 | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transac Code (li 8) | | Derivative | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 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) | | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$132.95 | 03/07/2019 | | M | | | 752 | 02/16/2013 ⁽³⁾ | 02/16/2022 | Common Stock | 752 | \$0.00 | 0 | D | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$130.23 | 03/07/2019 | | M | | | 767 | 02/13/2014 ⁽⁴⁾ | 02/13/2023 | Common Stock | 767 | \$0.00 | 1,992 ⁽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. Reflects shares swapped via a stock swap option exercise to cover the exercise price of the options.
- 3. The options exercised were included in options granted under the issuer's Second Amended and Restated 2009 Equity Incentive Plan on 2/16/2012, which became exercisable in three equal annual installments beginning on 2/16/2013.
- 4. The options exercised were included in options granted under the issuer's Second Amended and Restated 2009 Equity Incentive Plan on 2/13/2013, which became exercisable in three equal annual installments beginning on 2/13/2014.
- 5. Following the reported transaction, the reporting person holds a total of 1,992 options to purchase the issuer's common stock.

Remarks:

Catherine T. White, as attorney-infact under Power of Attorney dated 03/11/2019 February 23, 2009

** 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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