

AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MEYER GILBERT M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES, INC., 2900 EISENHOWER AVE., SUITE 300

(Street)

ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES INC [AVB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/06/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting 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. 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. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price			
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	08/06/2008		M		12,000	A	\$ 32	1,169,203.521 (1)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	08/06/2008		M		13,000	A	\$ 33.75	1,182,203.521 (1)	D	
Common Stock, par	08/06/2008		S		24,900	D	\$ 101	1,157,303.521 (1)	D	

Signatures

By Edward M. Schulman under Power of Attorney dated January 1,
2000

08/08/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
The amount of securities owned following the reported transaction reflects direct ownership of all shares of common stock, including
- (1) Deferred Units, which convert to common stock on a one for one basis when the reporting person ceases to be an employee or director of the issuer.
 - (2) The options exercised were included in options granted under the issuer's stock option and incentive plan on February 17, 1999 which became exercisable in three equal installments beginning on February 17, 2000.
 - (3) Following the reported transaction, the reporting person holds 80,400 options to purchase the issuer's common stock granted on various dates and with varying exercise prices and vesting dates.
 - (4) The options exercised were included in options granted under the issuer's stock option and incentive plan on February 28, 2000 which became exercisable in three equal installments beginning on February 28, 2001.
 - (5) Following the reported transaction, the reporting person holds 67,400 options to purchase the issuer's common stock granted on various dates and with varying exercise prices and vesting dates.

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