WELLTOWER INC.

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading ESTES SCOTT A Issuer Symbol WELLTOWER INC. [HCN] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title) __ Other (specify 4500 DORR STREET 03/01/2017 below) EVP and CFO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - No	n-I	Derivative (Securi	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8		4. Securit onor Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/01/2017		M		3,192	A	\$ 37	122,511	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2017		M		23,776	A	\$ 43.29	146,287	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2017		S		26,968	D	\$ 69.572 (1)	119,319	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2017		G	V	1,712	D	\$ 0 (2)	117,607	D	

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

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 37	03/01/2017		M		3,192	01/15/2014(3)	01/29/2019	Common	3,192 (3)
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 43.29	03/01/2017		M	;	23,776	01/15/2011(5)	01/28/2020	Common	23,776 (5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ESTES SCOTT A 4500 DORR STREET **TOLEDO, OH 43615**

EVP and CFO

Signatures

By: Matthew McQueen Attorney-in-Fact For: Scott A. Estes

03/03/2017

**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).
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$69.53 to \$69.695. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- (2) The securities were gifted and had no disposition or acquisition price.

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- Options for the purchase of 33,813 shares of common stock at \$37.00 per share were granted to Mr. Estes on January 29, 2009, which

 (3) grant has previously been reported. The partial exercise of these options for the purchase of 30,621 shares has previously been reported.
- (3) grant has previously been reported. The partial exercise of these options for the purchase of 30,621 shares has previously been reported. Of the remaining options, options for the purchase of 3,192 shares vested on January 15, 2014.
- (4) The options were granted under the Welltower Inc. 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan and had no acquisition price.
 - Options for the purchase of 23,776 shares of common stock at \$43.29 per share were granted to Mr. Estes on January 28, 2010, which
- (5) grant has previously been reported. Options for the purchase of 4,756 shares vested on January 15, 2011 and options for the purchase of 4,755 vested on January 15 of each of 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015.

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