

MID AMERICA APARTMENT COMMUNITIES INC  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 SANDERS WILLIAM REID

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 MID AMERICA APARTMENT COMMUNITIES INC [MAA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 6584 POPLAR AVENUE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/22/2016

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

MEMPHIS, TN 38138  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)<br>Code V Amount (D) Price                             |   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 5,873   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 4,000   | I  | IRA                               |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 1,500   | I  | Trustee, CAS and WRS GST Trust    |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 0   | I  | Trustee, Dr. Hugh Smith Residual  |

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|              |  |  |  |  |     |   |  |
|--------------|--|--|--|--|-----|---|--|
|              |  |  |  |  |     |   | Trust  |
| Common Stock |  |  |  |  | 700 | I | Spouse   |
| Common Stock |  |  |  |  | 500 | I | IRA, Spouse  |
| Common Stock |  |  |  |  | 500 | I | by Self as Trustee for MRS Trust FBO Aubrey Sanders          |
| Common Stock |  |  |  |  | 500 | I | by Self as Trustee for MRS Trust FBO Reid Sanders Jr         |
| Common Stock |  |  |  |  | 300 | I | Sanders Properties, LLC Profit Sharing Plan FBO Reid Sanders |

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) |                            |         |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|----------------------------|---------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares |         |
| Phantom Stock                              | \$ 0 <u>(1)</u>  | 03/22/2016                           |  | A                              | 161   | <u>(1)</u>   | <u>(1)</u>  | Common Stock                               | 161                        | \$ 99.4 |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SANDERS WILLIAM REID<br>6584 POPLAR AVENUE<br>MEMPHIS, TN 38138 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Leslie  
Wolfgang

03/24/2016

\_\_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).

Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of common stock. The shares of phantom stock are payable in two (1) equal annual installments beginning within the 90 days following the calendar year in which the reporting person ceases to serve as a director, in cash or common stock, at the election of the reporting person.

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