

AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES INC  
 Form 4  
 December 30, 2004

**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 SARGEANT THOMAS J

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 EVP, CFO and Treasurer

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 C/O AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES, INC., 2900 EISENHOWER AVE., SUITE 300  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/29/2004

ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 12/29/2004                           |  | M                              | A   | \$ 94,111.472<br>38.1524 (1)  | D  |   |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 12/29/2004                           |  | F                              | D   | \$ 87,440.472<br>74.95 (1)  | D  |   |
| Common Stock, par                       |                                      |  |                                |   | 1,352 (2)   | I  | Held by spouse  |

value \$.01  
per share

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)      | \$ 38.1524   | 12/29/2004                           |  | M                              | 13,106  | 10/29/1998 <sup>(3)</sup> 10/29/2007                     | Common Stock  | 13,106                     |

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SARGEANT THOMAS J  
C/O AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES, INC.  
2900 EISENHOWER AVE., SUITE 300  
ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314

EVP, CFO and Treasurer

## Signatures

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

12/30/2004

\*\*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).
- (1) The amount of securities owned following the reported transaction reflects direct ownership of all shares of common stock, including restricted shares.

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- (2) No transaction is reported. Indirect holdings reported for information only.
- (3) The options exercised were included in options granted on October 29, 1997 which became exercisable in five equal annual installments beginning on October 29, 1998.

- The number of derivative securities beneficially owned following the reported transaction includes options with varying exercise prices and vesting dates. Following the reported transaction the reporting person holds 30,000 more options that expire on October 29, 2007 with an exercise price of \$38.1524.
- (4)

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