

FORTESCUE JAMES

Form 4

December 20, 2007

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
FORTESCUE JAMES

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
ANNALY CAPITAL
MANAGEMENT INC [NLY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/20/2007

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
EVP and Head of Liabilities

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D)	Price	
Common Stock	12/20/2007		M		1,500	A \$ 8.63	57,761 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)**

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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)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to purchase Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	\$ 8.63	12/20/2007		M	1,500	11/18/2000	11/18/2009	Common Stock	1,500
Option to purchase common stock ⁽¹⁾	\$ 17.97					08/04/2004	08/04/2013	Common Stock	20,000
Option to purchase common stock ⁽¹⁾	\$ 17.39					04/20/2005	04/20/2014	Common Stock	20,000
Option to purchase Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	\$ 17.07					07/07/2006	07/07/2015	Common Stock	30,000
Option to purchase Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	\$ 11.72					02/13/2007	02/13/2016	Common Stock	38,250
Option to purchase Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	\$ 15.7					05/17/2008	05/17/2017	Common Stock	40,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FORTESCUE JAMES				
			EVP and Head of Liabilities	

Signatures

/s/ James P.
Fortescue

12/20/2007

__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) Options previously granted.

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