

NATIONAL RETAIL PROPERTIES, 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 \*  
**HABICHT KEVIN B**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**NATIONAL RETAIL PROPERTIES, INC. [NNN]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**450 S ORANGE AVE, SUITE 900**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**12/19/2006**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**EVP & CFO**

**ORLANDO, FL 32801**

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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(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	(D)	Price
Common Stock	12/19/2006	12/19/2006	M		22,300	A	\$ 17.375 245,284
Common Stock	12/19/2006	12/19/2006	S		22,300	D	\$ 22.5065 222,984
Common Stock	12/20/2006	12/20/2006	M		3,700	A	\$ 17.375 226,684
Common Stock	12/20/2006	12/20/2006	S		3,700	D	\$ 22.6401 222,984

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 17.375	12/21/2006	12/21/2006	M	22,300	03/31/2000	03/31/2008	Common Stock	22,300
Stock Option	\$ 17.375	12/21/2006	12/21/2006	M	3,700	03/31/2000	03/31/2008	Common Stock	3,700

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HABICHT KEVIN B 450 S ORANGE AVE SUITE 900 ORLANDO, FL 32801	X		EVP & CFO	

## Signatures

/s/ Kevin B.  
Habicht

12/21/2006

\*\*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).

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