Wheeler Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc. Form 4 March 27, 2017

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| Form 5 obligatio may cont <i>See</i> Instru 1(b). | ns Section 17(a | a) of the l | Public U | tility Hol | | npany | Act of | ge Act of 1934, f 1935 or Sectio 40 | on | | | |
| (Print or Type I | Responses) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Name and A Wheeler Jor | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | | | | |
| | | Wheeler Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc. [whir] | | | | | (Check all applicable) | | | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 2529 VIRGINIA BEACH | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/24/2017 | | | | | _X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) CEO & Chairman | | | | |
| BOULEVA | RD, SUITE 200 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 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 Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | | | | |
| VIRGINIA | BEACH, VA 234 | 52 | | | | | | Person | More than One I | Reporting | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Tab | le I - Non-I | Derivative | Securi | ties Acc | quired, Disposed o | of, or Beneficia | ally Owned | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deen Execution any (Month/D | n Date, if | Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securiti on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4) Amount | sposed | of (D) | 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 | 03/24/2017 | | | P | 47,000 | A | \$ 1.71 | 96,547 | I | Held in profit sharing plan | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 821,419 | D | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 31,680 | I | Owned by spouse | | |

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|--|---|---|---|--|---|--|--------------------------|--------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| Common Stock | | | | | | 1,600 | Ι | | ld by bendent ld | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 7,541 | I | trus nan dep | ld by sts in the nes of pendent | |
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| Reminder: Ro | eport on a sepa | arate line for each clas | s of securities benefi | Person informa require | s who res ation conta d to respo s a currer | or indirectly. spond to the ained in this ond unless t ntly valid OM | s form are i the form | | 1474 9-02) | |
| 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. 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) | | | Securities | 8. Prio Deriv Secur (Instr. |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Common Units | <u>(1)</u> | | | | | (2) | (3) | Common Stock | 1,585,819 | |
| Common Units | <u>(1)</u> | | | | | (2) | <u>(3)</u> | Common Stock | 330,542 | |
| Common Units | <u>(1)</u> | | | | | (4) | (3) | Common Stock | 65,292 | |
| Common Units | <u>(1)</u> | | | | | (2) | (3) | Common Stock | 3,123 | |
| | <u>(1)</u> | | | | | (2) | (3) | | 31,234 | |

Common Units

Common Stock

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---|------------|---------------|-----------|----------------|-------|--|--|--|
| | | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| Wheeler Jon S 2529 VIRGINIA BEACH BOULEVARD SUITE 200 VIRGINIA BEACH, VA 23452 | | Х | | CEO & Chairman | | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | | | |
| /s/ Jon S. Wheeler | 03/27/2017 | | | | | | | |
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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).

Pursuant to the Partnership Agreement of Wheeler REIT, L.P. (the "Partnership"), holders of the Partnership, may, after a one year holding period, elect to exchange their common units for common stock of Wheeler Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc. (the "Company")

- (1)on an one-for-one basis. Upon a redemption request, the Company has the option to purchase the common units directly, either in cash or common stock of the Company.
- (2) These common units have been held for one year and therefore may be redeemed in accordance with the Partnership Agreement.
- (3) These derivative securities do not have an expiration date.
- (4) These common units have been held for less than one year and therefore may not be currently exchanged.

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