

AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES INC
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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)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/30/2006

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
EVP and CFO

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	08/30/2006		M		10,000	A	\$ 50.6
							<u>122,276.379</u> ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	08/30/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 120.835
							<u>117,276.379</u> ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock, par	08/30/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 120.697
							<u>112,276.379</u> ⁽¹⁾

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.
- (2) No transaction is reported. The amount of securities owned indirectly following the reported transaction is included for information purposes only.
- (3) The options exercised were included in options granted on February 12, 2004, which become exercisable in three equal annual installments beginning on February 12, 2005.

The number of derivative securities beneficially owned following the reported transaction includes options granted in prior periods with varying exercise prices and vesting dates. Following the reported transaction the reporting person holds 26,197 more options that expire on February 12, 2014 with an exercise price of \$50.60.

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