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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## FORM 8-K

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**CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)  
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of report (date of earliest event reported): December 19, 2017 (December 15, 2017)**

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# WHEELER REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Maryland**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**001-35713**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**45-2681082**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**2529 Virginia Beach Blvd., Suite 200  
Virginia Beach, VA 23452**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (757) 627-9088**

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Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligations of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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**ITEM 1.02 TERMINATION OF A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT.**

As described in Item 5.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K, Wheeler Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc.'s ("Company") employment of Robin A. Hanisch, its Corporate Secretary, will end on December 31, 2017, and her employment agreement dated March 14, 2016 will terminate as of such date. Mrs. Hanisch's employment agreement provides for certain severance payments and benefits following the termination of her employment. To the extent required by Item 1.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K, the information contained or incorporated by reference in Item 5.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K regarding Mrs. Hanisch is incorporated herein by reference to this Item 1.02.

**ITEM 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR CERTAIN OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS, COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF CERTAIN OFFICERS.**

On December 15, 2017 the Company ended the employment of Ms. Hanisch effective December 31, 2017. To the extent required by Item 5.02 of Form 8-K, the information contained or incorporated by reference in Item 1.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K regarding Ms. Hanisch is incorporated herein by reference to this Item 5.02.

**ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.**

- (a) Financial statement of businesses acquired.

Not applicable.

- (b) Pro forma financial information.

Not applicable.

- (c) Shell company transactions.

Not Applicable.

- (d) Exhibits.

Not Applicable.

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