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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* STILWELL JOSEPH  (Last) (First) (Middle)  111 BROADWAY, 12TH FLOOR				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol     Wheeler Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc. [WHLR]     3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)     09/24/2020								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X_ Director						
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NEW YOR	K, NY 100	(Street)	4	l. If Ame	ndme	ent, Da	ate Ori	ginal Fi	led(M	Ionth/Day/Y	ear)		Form filed	l by On	e Reporting Pe	Filing(Check A	Applicable Line	;)
(City)	,	(State)	(Zip)				Table	e I - No	n-De	rivative	Securit	ies Acqui	ired, Dispo	sed of	f, or Benefi	cially Owned	d	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code (Instr			4. Securities Ad (A) or Dispose (Instr. 3, 4 and (A) of Control (A		of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
Common Stock 09/24/2020 Common Stock			09/24/2020					ode P	V	Amount 1 (1)	ant (D)	\$ 2.75	853,747			I I	See footnote	
													113,814			I	See footnote (3)	
Common St	tock												213,775				I	See footnote (4)
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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, it	4. Transaction Code		5. Num of Deriv	ber Expiration (Month/Davative rities suired or cosed b) r. 3,		tion Date U		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)  Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transactic (Instr. 4)		Owners Form o Derivat Securit Direct or India	Ownershi y: (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expirati Date	on ,	Title	Amo or Num of Sh	ber				
Series B Convertible Preferred Stock	\$ 40							<u>(5</u>	5)	<u>(5</u>	<u>5)</u>	Comm	1 7 1	.25		8,200	I	See footnote
Series D Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock								<u>(6</u>	<u>0</u>	(6	<u>0</u>	Comm	/9	272		19,859	I	See footnote
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Cash- settled Total Return Swap (obligation to buy)	<u>(7)</u>			<u>(8)</u>	03/01/2022	Series B Convertible Preferred Stock	21,154	21,154	I	See footnote (7)
Cash- settled Total Return Swap (obligation to buy)	<u>(7)</u>			<u>(8)</u>	03/01/2022	Series D Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock	376,693	376,693	I	See footnote (7)
Cash- settled Total Return Swap (obligation to buy)	<u>(9)</u>			<u>(8)</u>	03/01/2022	Series B Convertible Preferred Stock	2,559	2,559	I	See footnote (9)
Cash- settled Total Return Swap (obligation to buy)	(9)			(8)	03/01/2022	Series D Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock	54,306	54,306	I	See footnote (9)
Cash- settled Total Return Swap (obligation to buy)	(10)			(8)	03/01/2022	Series B Convertible Preferred Stock	55,929	55,929	Ι	See footnote (10)
Cash- settled Total Return Swap (obligation to buy)	(10)			(8)	03/01/2022	Series D Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock	22,282	22,282	I	See footnote (10)

## **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
STILWELL JOSEPH 111 BROADWAY, 12TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10006	X	X					
Stilwell Value LLC 111 BROADWAY, 12TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10006		X					
Stilwell Activist Investments, L.P. 111 BROADWAY, 12TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10006		X					
Stilwell Activist Fund, L.P. 111 BROADWAY, 12TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10006		X					
Stilwell Value Partners VII, L.P. 111 BROADWAY, 12TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10006		X					

## **Signatures**

/s/ Joseph Stilwell	09/28/2020
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

/s/ Joseph Stilwell as authorized agent for Stilwell Value LLC	09/28/2020
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ Joseph Stilwell as authorized agent for Stilwell Activist Fund, L.P	09/28/2020
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ Joseph Stilwell as authorized agent for Stilwell Activist Investments, L.P.	09/28/2020
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ Joseph Stilwell as authorized agent for Stilwell Value Partners VII, L.P.	09/28/2020
**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) This Form 4 reports that on September 24, 2020, Stilwell Activist Investments, L.P. ("SAI") acquired 1 share of Wheeler Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc.'s (the "Company") common stock at \$2.75 USD per share.
- (2) These shares are owned directly by SAI and indirectly by Joseph Stilwell in his capacity as the managing member and owner of Stilwell Value LLC ("Value"), which is the general partner of SAI. Joseph Stilwell disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares reported as owned indirectly except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (3) These shares are owned directly by Stilwell Activist Fund, L.P. ("SAF") and indirectly by Joseph Stilwell in his capacity as the managing member and owner of Value, which is the general partner of SAF. Joseph Stilwell disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares reported as owned indirectly except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (4) These shares are owned directly by Stilwell Value Partners VII, L.P. ("SVP VII") and indirectly by Joseph Stilwell in his capacity as the managing member and owner of Value, which is the general partner of SVP VII. Joseph Stilwell disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares reported as owned indirectly except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (5) As disclosed in the Company's Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on April 3, 2017, each share of Series B Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Series B Stock") is convertible into 0.625 shares of the Company's common stock. The Series B Stock has no expiration date.
- (6) As disclosed in the Company's Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 3, 2017, each share of Series D Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Series D Stock") is convertible into 1.474 shares of the Company's common stock. The Series D Stock has no expiration date.
- SAI entered into a certain cash-settled total return swap agreement, effective as of January 22, 2019 (the "Swap Agreement"), pursuant to which it purchased certain cash-settled swaps (the "Swaps") constituting economic exposure to notional shares of Series B Stock and Series D Stock with maturity dates of March 1, 2022. The price of the Swaps for the Series B Stock ranged from \$11.10 to \$11.12, and the price of the Swaps for the Series D Stock ranged from \$13.75 to \$15.85. The Swap Agreement provides SAI with economic results that are comparable to the economic results of ownership, but does not provide SAI with the power to vote or direct the voting or dispose of or direct the disposition of the shares of Series B Stock and Series D Stock.

Joseph Stilwell disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares underlying the Swap Agreement reported as owned indirectly except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

- (8) These Swaps can be settled at any time prior to the expiration date.
  - SAF entered into a certain cash-settled total return swap agreement, effective as of May 20, 2019 (the "Additional Swap Agreement"), pursuant to which it purchased Swaps constituting economic exposure to notional shares of the Company's Series B Stock and Series D Stock with maturity dates of March 1, 2022. The price of the Swaps for the Series B Stock was \$11.10,
- (9) and the price of the Swaps for the Series D Stock ranged from \$14.75 to \$15.85. The Additional Swap Agreement provides SAF with economic results that are comparable to the economic results of ownership, but does not provide SAF with the power to vote or direct the voting or dispose of or direct the disposition of the shares of Series B Stock and Series D Stock. Joseph Stilwell disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares underlying the Additional Swap Agreement reported as owned indirectly except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- SVP VII entered into a certain cash-settled total return swap agreement, effective as of May 20, 2019 (the "Second Additional Swap Agreement"), pursuant to which it purchased Swaps constituting economic exposure to notional shares of the Company's Series B Stock and Series D Stock with maturity dates of March 1, 2022. The price of the Swaps for the Series B Stock ranged from \$11.73 to \$12.88, and the price of the Swaps for the Series D Stock ranged from \$14.50 to \$15.50. The Second Additional Swap Agreement provides SVP VII with economic results that are comparable to the economic results of ownership, but does not provide SVP VII with the power to vote or direct the voting or dispose of or direct the disposition of the shares of Series B Stock and Series D Stock. Joseph Stilwell disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares underlying the Second Additional Swap Agreement reported as owned indirectly except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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