

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or
Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Wheeler Jon S | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Wheeler Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc. [WHLR] | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|---|---|--|---|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 2529 VIRGINIA BEACH BOULEVARD, SUITE 200 | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/21/2012 | | Chairman and President | | | | |
| (Street) VIRGINIA BEACH, VA 23452 | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| (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 | | | | |

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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|-----|--|-----------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | | |
| Common Units (1) | \$ 0 (1) | 12/21/2012 | 12/21/2012 | P | | 4,897 | | (2) | (3) | Common Stock | 4,897 (1) | 300,634 | I | Controlled through interests in limited partnerships |
| Common Units (1) | (1) | 12/21/2012 | 12/21/2012 | P | | 1,430 | | (2) | (3) | Common Stock | 1,430 (1) | 63,468 | D | |

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 | X | | Chairman and President | |

Signatures

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| /s/ Jon S. Wheeler | 12/26/2012 |
| <small>Signature of Reporting Person</small> | <small>Date</small> |

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 Real Estate Investment Trust LP (the "Partnership"), holders of common units of the Partnership may, after a one year holding period, elect to exchange their common units for common stock in Wheeler Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc. (the "Company") on a one-for-one basis. Upon a redemption request, the Company has the option to purchase the common units directly, either in cash or in common stock of the Company at an exchange rate of one-for-one.
- (1) Investment Trust, Inc. (the "Company") on a one-for-one basis. Upon a redemption request, the Company has the option to purchase the common units directly, either in cash or in common stock of the Company at an exchange rate of one-for-one.
 - (2) All common units have been held for less than one year and therefore may not be offered for redemption.
 - (3) These derivative securities do not have an expiration date.

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