

AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES INC

Form 4

February 13, 2008

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SARGEANT THOMAS J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O AVALONBAY
COMMUNITIES, INC., 2900
EISENHOWER AVE., SUITE 300

(Street)

ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol
AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES
INC [AVB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/11/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
EVPand CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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)
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	02/11/2008		A	8,112 A	\$ 0 (1) 128,007.987 (2)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share					1,352 (3)	I	Owned by spouse

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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 89.06	02/11/2008		A	33,254	02/11/2009 ⁽⁴⁾ 02/11/2018	Common Stock 33,2

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SARGEANT THOMAS J C/O AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES, INC. 2900 EISENHOWER AVE., SUITE 300 ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314			EVP and CFO	

Signatures

Edward M. Schulman, as attorney-in-fact under Power of Attorney dated January 1, 2000 02/13/2008

__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) Reflects grant of shares of restricted stock under the Company's Stock Option and Incentive Plan, which shares are subject to vesting requirements.
- (2) The amount of securities owned following the reported transaction reflects direct ownership of all shares of common stock, including restricted shares.
- (3) No transaction is reported. The amount of securities owned indirectly following the reported transaction is included for information purposes only.

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- (4) These options vest in three annual installments, with the first installment vesting on 2/11/2009.
- (5) Reflects grant of options under the Company's Stock Option and Incentive Plan.
- (6) Following the reported transaction, the reporting person holds a total of 223,556 options to purchase the issuer's common stock granted on various dates and with varying exercise prices and vesting dates.

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