

GABELLI MARIO J  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
GABELLI MARIO J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
GABELLI EQUITY TRUST INC  
[GAB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/21/2017

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Control Person of Adviser

C/O GAMCO INVESTORS,  
INC, ONE CORPORATE CENTER  
(Street)

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

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

RYE, NY 10580

(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	Amount or Price		
Common Stock, Par Value \$0.001	12/21/2017		J <sup>(1)</sup>		336,588 A \$ 5.5	1,419,975.27 <sup>(2)</sup>	D
Common Stock, Par Value \$0.001	12/21/2017		J <sup>(3)</sup>		8,170 A \$ 5.5	69,675	I MJG IV Limited Partnership <sup>(4)</sup>
Common Stock, Par Value	12/21/2017		J <sup>(1)</sup>		118,449 A \$ 5.5	769,705	I GGCP, Inc. <sup>(5)</sup>

\$0.001

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 (Instr. 6)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GABELLI MARIO J C/O GAMCO INVESTORS, INC ONE CORPORATE CENTER RYE, NY 10580	X			Control Person of Adviser

## Signatures

Douglas R. Jamieson as Attorney-in-Fact for Mario J. Gabelli  
 12/21/2017  
 \*\*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) The reporting person acquired these common shares through a primary and pro-rata oversubscription allocation based on the exercise of common share purchase rights.
- (2) Total includes shares acquired through dividend reinvestment subsequent to the initial purchase.
- (3) The reporting person acquired these common shares through the exercise of common share purchase rights.

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- The shares reported reflect the total shares owned by MJG IV Limited Partnership, a limited partnership for which Mr. Gabelli serves as a
- (4) general partner. Mr. Gabelli has less than a 100% interest in the entity and disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by this entity which are in excess of his indirect pecuniary interest.
  - (5) The shares reported reflect the total shares owned by GGCP. Mr. Gabelli has less than a 100% interest in GGCP and disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by this entity which are in excess of his indirect pecuniary interests.

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