CATES GEORGE E

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CATES GEORGE E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

MID AMERICA APARTMENT COMMUNITIES INC [MAA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

below)

(Last)

(First)

6584 POPLAR AVENUE, SUITE

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

03/19/2008

300

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

MEMPHIS, TN 38138-

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

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)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 1. Title of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Conversion

5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of 8. Price Underlying Securities Derivati

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/I	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)) Se Ac (A Di of (In	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	/ (.	(A) (D)		Expiration Date	oi N oi	Amount or Number of Shares		
Phantom Stock	\$ 0	03/19/2008		A	1	53		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	153	\$ 51.4

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CATES GEORGE E 6584 POPLAR AVENUE SUITE 300 MEMPHIS, TN 38138-	X						

Signatures

Leslie Wolfgang 03/19/2008

**Signature of 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 units are to be settled in MAA common stock in 2 equal annual installments beginning within 90 days following the end of the calendar year in which the reporting person ceases to be a director.

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