HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES INC

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Miller Jeffrey Douglas

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES INC

[HIW]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

03/07/2016

SVP/General Counsel & Sec.

3100 SMOKETREE COURT, SUITE 600

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

RALEIGH, NC 27604

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Securi	ities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed	of (D)	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	03/07/2016	03/07/2016	M	4,377	A	\$ 32	82,492	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2016	03/07/2016	M	3,691	A	\$ 36.5	86,183	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2016	03/07/2016	M	3,676	A	\$ 37.71	89,859	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2016	03/07/2016	S	11,744	D	\$ 46.27 (1)	78,115	D	

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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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 32	03/07/2016	03/07/2016	M	4,377	(2)	02/28/2019	Common Stock	4,377
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 36.5	03/07/2016	03/07/2016	M	3,691	(2)	02/28/2020	Common Stock	3,691
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 37.71	03/07/2016	03/07/2016	M	3,676	(2)	02/28/2024	Common Stock	3,676

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Miller Jeffrey Douglas 3100 SMOKETREE COURT, SUITE 600 RALEIGH, NC 27604

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/s/Jeffrey D. 03/08/2016 Miller

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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- * 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) Represents the weighted average sale price. Sale prices range from \$46.09 \$46.43.
- (2) Options vest ratably over 4 years on March 1st of each year after the grant date.

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