

PREFERRED APARTMENT COMMUNITIES INC

Form 4

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
 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 *
WILLIAMS JOHN A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

PREFERRED APARTMENT
 COMMUNITIES, INC., 3284
 NORTHSIDE PARKWAY NW,
 SUITE 150

(Street)

ATLANTA, GA US 30327

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
 Symbol
**PREFERRED APARTMENT
 COMMUNITIES INC [APTS]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 03/16/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
 Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)
 Chief Executive Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
 Applicable Line)

☒ 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 \$0.01				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock, par value \$0.01						6,200	D
Common Stock, par value \$0.01						43,265 ⁽¹⁾	I
							By Nell Partners, Inc.
	03/16/2016		J ⁽³⁾	32,236	D	5,722	I
							By Spouse

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Common Stock, par value \$0.01	\$ 11.63			
Common Stock, par value \$0.01	581	I		By 2003 Children's Trust ⁽²⁾
Common Stock, par value \$0.01	50	I		By son

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 Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
WILLIAMS JOHN A PREFERRED APARTMENT COMMUNITIES, INC. 3284 NORTHSIDE PARKWAY NW, SUITE 150 ATLANTA, GA US 30327	X Chief Executive Officer

Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey R. Sprain, as
attorney-in-fact

03/18/2016

__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).

John A. Williams, Leonard A. Silverstein and Daniel M. DuPree share joint voting and investment power over the shares held by NELL Partners, Inc. Mr. Williams disclaims any economic interest in such shares, 63% of which are owned indirectly by the Nancy Ann

- (1) Richardson Williams Children's Trust, formed on January 30, 1995, a trust created by Mr. Williams' spouse for the benefit of their children; 27% of which are owned indirectly by Northside Partners Trust, formed on November 2, 2009, a trust created by Leonard A. Silverstein's spouse for the benefit of their children; and 10% of which are owned indirectly by Daniel M. DuPree.

These shares are held in a trust for the benefit of the reporting person's children. The reporting person's spouse is trustee of the trust. The

- (2) reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and the filing of this report is not an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

Disposition reflects a transfer for tax and estate planning purposes. Price was paid with a reduction in outstanding debt owed to the

- (3) purchaser by the reporting person. Price based on the closing price of the company's common stock on March 15, 2016, the last trading date before the transfer.

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