

Armour Residential REIT, Inc.
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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 *
PAPERIN STEWART J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**Armour Residential REIT, Inc.
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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
3001 OCEAN DRIVE, SUITE 201
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/09/2012

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

VERO BEACH, FL 32963

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	04/09/2012		A ⁽¹⁾	1,630	A	12,382	D
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	04/09/2012		M ⁽¹⁾	503	A	12,885	D

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 (Instr. 5)
				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
PAPERIN STEWART J 3001 OCEAN DRIVE SUITE 201 VERO BEACH, FL 32963		X		

Signatures

/s/ Stewart J. Paperin 04/11/2012
 **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).
- On April 9, 2012, the reporting person elected to redeem 503 shares of vested phantom stock previously granted under ARMOUR Residential REIT, Inc.'s 2009 Stock Incentive Compensation Plan into 503 shares of ARMOUR's common stock, and received 1,630 shares of ARMOUR common stock pursuant to quarterly compensation paid for the reporting person's service on ARMOUR's Board of Directors. Commencing with the end of the first quarter of 2012, the reporting person will receive up to \$11,000 of the reporting person's total quarterly compensation for 2012 (or \$44,000 on an annual basis), paid in stock. However, the reporting person may elect to receive some or all of the stock compensation as cash. The 1,630 shares of stock represent the reporting person's election of stock compensation for the past quarter.

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