ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST INC

Form 4

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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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1(b).

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Burkart John F.

(First)

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

below)

Symbol

ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST INC

(Check all applicable)

[ESS]

(Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Month/Day/Year)

C/O ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST 02/09/2015 **Executive Vice President**

INC., 925 EAST MEADOW DRIVE

(Middle)

(Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

PALO ALTO, CA 94303

(City)

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	02/09/2015		M	7,500	A	\$ 143.03 (1)	7,510	D		
Common Stock	02/09/2015		S	7,500	D	\$ 221.94	10	D		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number op for 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Purchase)	\$ 143.03 (1)	02/09/2015		M	7,500	12/11/2012	12/11/2019	Common Stock	7,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Burkart John F.

C/O ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST INC. 925 EAST MEADOW DRIVE

PALO ALTO, CA 94303

Executive Vice President

Signatures

s/ Michael T. Dance, Attorney in Fact

02/11/2015

**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) Under the options terms, the maximum value that the reporting person could receive is \$75 per share. The value in excess of such amount, \$3.91, was remitted to the Issuer by the reporting person in addition to the exercise price of \$143.03.

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