Empire State Realty Trust, Inc.

Form 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

Kessler John B

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

02/01/2015

C/O EMPIRE STATE REALTY TRUST, INC., ONE GRAND CENTRAL PLACE, 60 E. 42ND

ST.

(Street)

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Empire State Realty Trust, Inc. [ESRT]

> 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

> > (Check all applicable)

President and COO

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Director _X__ Officer (give title below) (specify below)

10% Owner Other

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

X Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

NEW YORK, NYÂ 10165

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

4. 5. Ownership Conversion or Exercise Form of Price of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Derivative Security:

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
LTIP Units (1)	02/01/2016	(1)	Class A Common	13,736	\$ 0	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Kessler John B							
C/O EMPIRE STATE REALTY TRUST, INC.	â	Â	President and COO	Â			
ONE GRAND CENTRAL PLACE, 60 E. 42ND ST.	A	A	A Flesidelli alid COO	A			
NEW YORK, NY 10165							

Signatures

/s/ Salvatore Rappa, as attorney-in-fact 02/02/2015

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- Represents LTIP Units ("LTIP Units"), a class of units of Empire State Realty OP, L.P. (the "Operating Partnership"). The LTIP Units are covertible by the reporting person, upon vesting, into an equivalent number of units of limited partnership interests ("Operating Partnership Units") of the Operating Partnership, which are redeemable by the holder for shares of Class A Common Stock of Empire
- (1) State Realty Trust, Inc. (the "Issuer") on a one-for-one basis or the cash value of such shares, at the Issuer's option. The rights to convert LTIP units into Operating Partnership Units and redeem Operating Partnership Units do not have expiration dates. The LTIP Units, which vest ratably on each of the first four anniversaries of the date of grant, were granted under the Empire State Realty Trust, Inc. and Empire State Realty OP, L.P. 2013 Equity Incentive Plan.

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