ADAMS DIVERSIFIED EQUITY FUND, INC.

securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

Form 5

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of	6. Date Exerc Expiration Day/	ate	7. Titl		8. Price of Derivative Security	
(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	è	rear)	Secur	, ,	(Instr. 5)	
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
F	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Othe			
Dale Kenneth James 500 EAST PRATT STREET SUITE 1300 BALTIMORE, MD 21202	ÂX	Â	Â	Â			

Signatures

Gail L. Valenti as Attorney-in-Fact for Kenneth James
Dale

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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Of these shares, 283.594 shares were acquired in exempt transactions as a result of dividend reinvestment. An additional 325.160 shares (1) accrued as dividend equivalents on deferred stock units (shares received in lieu of director retainer fees). The Issuer's stock traded in a range of \$10.96 - \$13.35 during 2016.

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