

MID AMERICA APARTMENT COMMUNITIES INC  
Form 8-K  
March 16, 2009

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

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CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 16, 2009 (March 10, 2009)

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MID-AMERICA APARTMENT COMMUNITIES, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

TENNESSEE (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	1-12762 (Commission File Number)	62-1543819 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
6584 Poplar Avenue, Suite 300 Memphis, Tennessee (Address of Principal Executive Offices)		38138 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (901) 682-6600

N/A  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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ITEM 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers;  
Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

On March 10, 2009, George E. Cates, 71, retired from the Board of Directors. There were no disagreements with management.

On March 16, 2009, the registrant issued a press release announcing Mr. Cates' retirement. A copy of the press release issued in connection with the announcement is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

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ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Press Release dated March 16, 2009

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 16, 2009	MID-AMERICA APARTMENT COMMUNITIES, INC. /s/Simon R.C. Wadsworth Simon R.C. Wadsworth Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)
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