

MID AMERICA APARTMENT COMMUNITIES 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 *
CATES GEORGE E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MID AMERICA APARTMENT COMMUNITIES INC [MAA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 6584 POPLAR AVENUE, SUITE 300
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 08/14/2007

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

MEMPHIS, TN 38138-

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 | | | | 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------|-----|--------|-------|---|--|---|-------------|
| | | | (A) or (D) | (V) | Amount | Price | | | | |
| Common Stock | 08/14/2007 | | M | | 25,419 | A | \$ 22.25 | 268,229.4036 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 7,306.04 | I | IRA |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 8,096.9396 | I | JTWROS |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 13,634.616 | I | Keough Plan |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 4,934.6788 | I | Spouse |

Common Stock 5,998.873 I Spouse IRA

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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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 22.25 | 08/14/2007 | | M | 25,419 | 02/17/2004 02/17/2009 | Common Stock | 25,419 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| CATES GEORGE E 6584 POPLAR AVENUE SUITE 300 MEMPHIS, TN 38138- | X | | | |

Signatures

Kathy Rajadurai 08/15/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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