
**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) January 22, 2015

**WASHINGTON REAL ESTATE
INVESTMENT TRUST**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

MARYLAND
(State of incorporation)

1-6622
(Commission File Number)

53-0261100
(IRS Employer Identification Number)

1775 EYE STREET, NW, SUITE 1000, WASHINGTON, DC 20006
(Address of principal executive office) (Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (202) 774-3200

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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 January 22, 2015, the Board of Trustees of Washington Real Estate Investment Trust (“Washington REIT”) elected Thomas H. Nolan, Jr., as a trustee of Washington REIT to the class of trustees whose term of office expires at the 2015 annual meeting of shareholders. There were no arrangements or understandings between Mr. Nolan and any person pursuant to which he was appointed as a trustee. Mr. Nolan will receive compensation for Board service commensurate with Washington REIT’s other non-employee trustees. Mr. Nolan has not been appointed to any committees of the Board.

Mr. Nolan, age 57, currently serves as Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer of Spirit Realty Capital, Inc., positions he has held since September 2011. Mr. Nolan previously worked for General Growth Properties, Inc. or GGP, serving as Chief Operating Officer from March 2009 to December 2010 and as President from October 2008 to December 2010. He also served as a member of the board of directors of GGP from 2005 to 2010. GGP filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code in April 2009 and emerged from bankruptcy in November 2010. Mr. Nolan was a member of the senior management team that led GGP’s reorganization and emergence from bankruptcy, which included the restructuring of \$15.0 billion in project-level debt, payment in full of all of GGP’s pre-petition creditors and the securing of \$6.8 billion in equity commitments. From July 2004 to February 2008, Mr. Nolan served as a Principal and Chief Financial Officer of Loreto Bay Company, the developer of the Loreto Bay master planned community in Baja, California. From October 1984 to July 2004, Mr. Nolan held various financial positions with AEW Capital Management, L.P., a national real estate investment advisor, and from 1998 to 2004, he served as Head of Equity Investing and as President and Senior Portfolio Manager of The AEW Partners Funds. Mr. Nolan earned a BA in Business Administration from the University of Massachusetts.

In addition, also on January 22, 2015, Thomas Edgie Russell, III resigned from the Board in order to effectuate his retirement therefrom consistent with Washington REIT’s board retirement policy, such resignation to take effect at the commencement of the 2015 annual meeting of shareholders.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibits are furnished with this report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Press release issued January 27, 2015 regarding the election of a new trustee.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

WASHINGTON REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Laura M. Franklin
(Signature)

Laura M. Franklin
Executive Vice President
Accounting and Administration

January 27, 2015
(Date)

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January 27, 2015**WASHINGTON REIT ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF THOMAS H. NOLAN, JR.
TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Washington REIT (Washington Real Estate Investment Trust -- NYSE: WRE), a leading owner of commercial and multifamily properties in the Washington, DC area, today announced the election of Thomas H. Nolan, Jr., Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Spirit Realty Capital, Inc., to its Board of Trustees, effective immediately.

“We are excited to welcome Tom to our Board of Trustees as a new independent member,” said Charles T. Nason, Chairman of the Board of Washington REIT. “With more than 25 years of diverse real estate industry experience as well as experience leading a publicly traded REIT, Tom brings significant strategic and operational expertise that will make him a valuable asset to our Board of Trustees. We are confident that Tom’s contributions and industry insight will serve us well as we continue our work to strengthen and grow our portfolio and deliver long-term value for shareholders.”

“Washington REIT has a strong foundation in place and continues to make great strides on its strategy to improve the quality of its asset base,” said Thomas H. Nolan, Jr. “I look forward to serving as a member of the Board of Trustees and working with the entire Washington REIT team to drive solid performance for shareholders.”

Mr. Nolan currently serves as Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Spirit Realty Capital Inc., a publicly traded REIT that invests primarily in single-tenant, operationally essential real estate. Prior to joining Spirit Realty, Mr. Nolan worked for General Growth Properties, Inc. (GGP) serving as a director for 6 years and as President and Chief Operating Officer for the last 2 years while at GGP. Mr. Nolan was a member of the senior management team that led GGP’s reorganization and emergence from bankruptcy. Before working at GGP, Mr. Nolan served for 4 years as a Principal and Chief Financial Officer of Loreto Bay Company, the developer of the Loreto Bay master planned community in Baja, California. For over 20 years, Mr. Nolan held various financial positions with AEW Capital Management, L.P., a national real estate investment advisor. Mr. Nolan earned a BA in Business Administration from the University of Massachusetts.

About Washington REIT

Washington REIT is a self-administered, self-managed, equity real estate investment trust investing in income-producing properties in the greater Washington metro region. Washington REIT owns a diversified portfolio of 56 properties, totaling approximately 7 million square feet of commercial space and 3,053 multifamily units, and land held for development. These 56 properties consist of 25 office properties, 17 retail centers and 14 multifamily properties. Washington REIT shares are publicly traded on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE:WRE).

Certain statements in this press release are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements include statements in this press release preceded by, followed by or that include the words "believe," "expect," "intend," "anticipate," "potential," "project," "will" and

other similar expressions. Such statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties, and other factors that may cause actual results to differ materially. Such risks, uncertainties and other factors include, but are not limited to, the potential for federal government budget reductions, changes in general and local economic and real estate market conditions, the timing and pricing of lease transactions, the availability and cost of capital, fluctuations in interest rates, tenants' financial conditions, levels of competition, the effect of government regulation, the impact of newly adopted accounting principles, and other risks and uncertainties detailed from time to time in our filings with the SEC, including our 2013 Form 10-K and subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. We assume no obligation to update or supplement forward-looking statements that become untrue because of subsequent events.