

COUSINS PROPERTIES INC

Form 4

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**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 *
GELLERSTEDT LAWRENCE L III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
COUSINS PROPERTIES INC
[CUZ]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

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

191 PEACHTREE STREET, SUITE 500

01/29/2016

President & CEO

(Street)

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

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

ATLANTA, GA 30303

(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 (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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) | Price | | |
| Common Stock | 01/29/2016 | | A ⁽¹⁾ | 65,574 | A \$ 0 | 485,646 ⁽²⁾ | D |
| Common Stock | 01/30/2016 | | F ⁽³⁾ | 7,935 | D \$ 8.62 | 477,711 ⁽⁴⁾ | D |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 1,665 | I By Profit Sharing Plan |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 50 | I By Spouse |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 500 | I By Irrevocable |

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shares are being held prior to vesting, the reporting person will have the right to receive all cash dividends and to vote the restricted shares. All unvested shares will forfeit upon termination of employment.

(2) Includes 144,305 restricted stock awarded under the Cousins Properties Incorporated (CPI) 2009 Incentive Stock Plans. While the shares are being held prior to vesting, the reporting person will have the right to receive all cash dividends and to vote the restricted shares. All unvested shares will forfeit upon termination of employment.

(3) Shares withheld from the vesting of restricted stock to pay the reporting person's tax liability as permitted under the 2009 Incentive Stock Plan.

(4) Includes 121,505 of restricted stock awarded under the Cousins Properties Incorporated (CPI) 2009 Incentive Stock Plan. While the shares are being held prior to vesting, the reporting person will have the right to receive all cash dividends and to vote the restricted shares. All unvested shares will forfeit upon termination of employment.

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