

HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES INC

Form 4

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FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
STEVENS TERRY L

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES INC
[HIW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

12/31/2010

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
VP, CFO

C/O HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES,
INC., 3100 SMOKETREE COURT,
SUITE 600

(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

RALEIGH, NC 27604

(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)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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 (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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Phantom Stock	(1)	12/31/2010	12/31/2010	A		86.69		(2)	(3)	Common Stock	86.6
Phantom Stock	\$ 32.06	12/31/2010	12/31/2010	D		5,629.78 (4)		12/31/2010	(3)	Common Stock	5,629

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
STEVENS TERRY L C/O HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES, INC. 3100 SMOKETREE COURT, SUITE 600 RALEIGH, NC 27604	VP, CFO

Signatures

/s/Willis B. Howard Attorney-in-fact for Terry L.
Stevens

01/03/2011

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) Security converts to cash price of common stock on a one-for-one basis.

(2) Pursuant to required payout under the Plan.

(3) There is no expiration date to payout election.

(4) Pursuant to distribution requirements under the Amended and Restated 2005 Deferred Compensation Plan for Selected Employees. The value of shares were transferred to participants "Other Investments Account". Future payout will be based on election form on file.

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