

GIORNELLI LILLIAN C
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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 *
GIORNELLI LILLIAN C

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)
191 PEACHTREE STREET, SUITE 3600

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/17/2009

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

ATLANTA, GA 30303

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | |
| Common Stock | 08/17/2009 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | A | \$ 0 | 303,436 ⁽²⁾ | D |
| Common Stock | 08/17/2009 | | D | D | \$ 8.67 | 303,284 ⁽²⁾ | D |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 57,875 ⁽³⁾ | I As Trustee For Children |

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

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- Award of restricted stock units under the Cousins Properties Incorporated (CPI) 2005 Restricted Stock Unit Plan, as amended. Each unit represents a right to receive a payment in cash equal to the fair market value of one share of CPI's common stock as of the date payment is due under the Plan. These units will vest 25% per year on each anniversary date of the grant, with units being 100% vested in year 4 of the grant term. While the shares are being held prior to vesting, the reporting person will have the right to receive all cash dividends but will not have shareholder rights. All unvested shares will forfeit if the Director's service as a member of the CPI Board of Directors terminates, unless separation is due to death or change in control.
- (4)

- (5) Restricted Stock Units granted 8/15/2006.

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