

Ellis James T
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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 *
 Ellis James T

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
 NE, SUITE 3600
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 12/17/2010

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

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)
			Code	V	Amount or Price (A) or (D)		
Common Stock	12/17/2010		A		41 ⁽¹⁾ \$ 7.79	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2010		A		37 ⁽¹⁾ \$ 7.79	I	By Profit Sharing Plan

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)

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Ellis James T 191 PEACHTREE STREET NE SUITE 3600 ATLANTA, GA 30303			EVP	

Signatures

/s/ James T. Ellis 12/21/2010

__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) Shares of common stock acquired as a result of the elective stock dividend paid on December 17, 2010. Shareholders elected, pursuant to the terms of the Prospectus Supplement filed November 9, 2010 ("Supplement"), to receive the dividend in all or partial stock. If all stock was elected, shareholders received their entire dividend in stock. If partial stock was elected, shareholders received approximately \$0.04826 of the \$0.09 dividend in stock. The value of the shares distributed is \$7.79 per share which were valued at the average closing price on December 6, 7 and 8, 2010 pursuant to the terms of the Supplement.
- (2) Includes 6,695 shares of restricted stock awarded under the CPI 2009 Incentive Stock Plan. These shares will cliff vest based on continued service on 2/15/2013. CPI will hold these shares until such shares become vested. 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 held by the reporting person as beneficiary in the Company's Profit Sharing Plan.

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