

FARRELL MICHAEL A J
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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 *
 FARRELL MICHAEL A J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ANNALY CAPITAL
 MANAGEMENT INC [NLY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/24/2012

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Pres., Chairman of Board & CEO

C/O: ANNALY CAPITAL
 MANAGEMENT, INC., 1211
 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS,
 SUITE 2902

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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NEW YORK, NY 10036

(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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 04/24/2012 | | M | V 100,000 | (A) \$ 13.25 2,594,392 | D | |
| Class A Preferred Stock | | | | | 3,500 | D | |
| Class A Preferred Stock | | | | | 3,500 ⁽¹⁾ | I | Michael Farrell C/F Taylor |

Carolyn
Farrell

| | | | |
|-------------------------|----------------------|---|-------------|
| Class A Preferred Stock | 8,000 ⁽¹⁾ | I | By daughter |
| Class A Preferred Stock | 8,200 ⁽¹⁾ | I | By son |

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) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title Amount Number Shares |
| Option to purchase Common Stock ⁽²⁾ | \$ 17.97 | | | | | 08/04/2004 08/04/2013 | Common Stock 200,000 |
| Option to purchase Common Stock ⁽²⁾ | \$ 17.39 | | | | | 04/19/2005 04/19/2014 | Common Stock 150,000 |
| Option to purchase Common Stock ⁽²⁾ | \$ 17.07 | | | | | 07/07/2006 07/07/2015 | Common Stock 150,000 |
| Option to purchase Common Stock ⁽²⁾ | \$ 15.7 | | | | | 05/17/2008 05/17/2017 | Common Stock 143,630 |
| Option to purchase Common Stock ⁽²⁾ | \$ 16.46 | | | | | 05/08/2009 05/08/2018 | Common Stock 200,000 |

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|--|----------|------------|---|---------|------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------|
| Option to purchase Common Stock <u>(2)</u> | \$ 15.61 | | | | | 09/19/2009 | 09/19/2018 | Common Stock | 112,34 |
| Option to purchase Common Stock <u>(2)</u> | \$ 13.25 | 04/24/2012 | M | 100,000 | 04/22/2010 | 04/22/2019 | Common Stock | 100,00 | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| FARRELL MICHAEL A J C/O: ANNALY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, INC. 1211 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, SUITE 2902 NEW YORK, NY 10036 | X | | Pres., Chairman of Board & CEO | |

Signatures

/s/ Michael AJ
Farrell

04/24/2012

**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) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (2) Options previously granted.

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