#### FRITSCH EDWARD J

Form 4

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* FRITSCH EDWARD J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Symbol HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES INC

[HIW]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 09/09/2009

\_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

President & CEO

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

(Street)

SUITE 600

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

RALEIGH, NC 27604

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

09/09/2009

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following (Instr. 4) Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount Price (D)

D

I

Common

Common

Stock

Stock

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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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						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Number		
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
FRITSCH EDWARD J C/O HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES, INC. 3100 SMOKETREE COURT, SUITE 600 RALEIGH, NC 27604	X		President & CEO			

## **Signatures**

/s/Willis B. Howard Attorney-in-fact for Edward J.
Fritsch

09/11/2009

\*\*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).

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