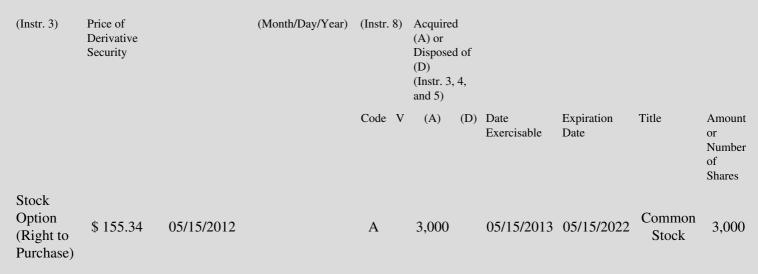
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(Print or Type]	Responses)								
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Sears Janice L.			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST INC [ESS]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
							(Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 925 EAST MEADOW DRIVE			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/15/2012				X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date OriginalFiled(Month/Day/Year)			 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person 			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Securities A	Acquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
(Instr. 3) any		Execution	Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) ay/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			(A) or of (D) 4 and 5)	SecuritiesFBeneficially(IOwned(I	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V	Amount	(A)or(D) Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onof Derivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Punie / Puniess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Sears Janice L. 925 EAST MEADOW DRIVE PALO ALTO, CA 94303	Х					
Signatures						
/s/ Michael T. Dance (Attorney-in-fact)		05/17/20	12			
**Signature of Reporting Person		Date				

Explanation of Responses:

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

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