#### EQUUS TOTAL RETURN, INC.

Form 4

November 30, 2015

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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 \* des Pallieres Bertrand

(First)

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

EQUUS TOTAL RETURN, INC.

(Check all applicable)

[EQS]

(Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X\_ Director

X 10% Owner Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year)

11/25/2015

Officer (give title below)

700 LOUISIANA STREET, 48TH

(Zip)

(Middle)

**FLOOR** 

(City)

(Instr. 3)

Common

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Person

HOUSTON, TX 77002

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

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

Securities Beneficially Owned **Following** 

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

(A)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

(D) Price Amount

 $D^{(1)}$ 2,619,662

V 42,284 11/25/2015 D Stock

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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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| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | of        |             |            | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Underlying<br>Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                        | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secur<br>Bene<br>Owne<br>Follo<br>Repo<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
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|   |   |   |   |   | 4, and 5) | Date        | Expiration |   | Amount                 |   |   |
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                  | (A) (D)   | Exercisable | Date       | Title   | Number<br>of<br>Shares |   |   |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |  |  |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| <b>Fg</b>   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |  |  |
| des Pallieres Bertrand<br>700 LOUISIANA STREET, 48TH FLOOR<br>HOUSTON, TX 77002 | X             | X         |         |       |  |  |

# **Signatures**

/s/ Bertrand Des 11/30/2015 **Pallieres** \*\*Signature of Reporting 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).
- Includes 994,160 shares held directly by Mr. des Pallieres and a trust controlled by him. Also includes 145,833 shares held directly by SPQR Capital Holdings S.A., a Luxembourg societe anonyme in which Mr. des Pallieres is a minority shockholder **(1)** and serves as a director. Also includes 986,842 shares held directly by Lansdowne Capital S.A., a Luxembourg societe anonyme that is indirectly wholly-owned by Mr. des Pallieres.

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