

FRITSCH EDWARD J  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
FRITSCH EDWARD J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES INC  
[HIW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)  
  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President & CEO

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
3100 SMOKETREE COURT,  
SUITE 600  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/01/2018

RALEIGH, NC 27604

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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	(A) or (D)			
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/01/2018	03/01/2018	A		54,216	A	\$ 0 495,691	D	
Common Stock <sup>(2)</sup>	03/01/2018	03/01/2018	F		13,583	D	\$ 0 482,108	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/01/2018	03/01/2018	D		4,177	D	\$ 0 477,931	D	
Common Stock							100	I	By Children

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 Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 3)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FRITSCH EDWARD J 3100 SMOKETREE COURT, SUITE 600 RALEIGH, NC 27604			President & CEO	

## Signatures

/s/Jeffrey D. Miller Attorney in fact for Edward J. Fritsch  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person  
 03/02/2018  
 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) Consists of time-based restricted stock granted by the Company that vests ratably over four years on March 1st of each year after the grant date and total return-based restricted stock granted by the Company that vests at the end of the applicable measurement period to the extent actual performance exceeds certain levels of performance.
  - (2) In accordance with the terms of the initial restricted stock award and in connection with the vesting of the award, the reporting person tendered a portion of the restricted stock award to the issuer in satisfaction of tax liabilities.
  - (3) Represents the number of shares forfeited under the Company's Long-Term Incentive Plan - Total Shareholder Return Plan because the Company achieved less than target levels of performance relative to predetermined goals.

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