

Equity Commonwealth  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
MARKMAN ADAM SCOTT

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O EQUITY  
COMMONWEALTH, TWO  
NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA,  
SUITE 2100

(Street)

CHICAGO, IL 60606

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Equity Commonwealth [EQC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/24/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below)  
\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP, CFO & Treasurer

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)
			(A) or (D)	Code V	Amount	Price	

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)**

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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. Pr Deriv Secur (Instr	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
LTIP Units	(1)	01/24/2017		A(2)	14,041	(1)(2)	(1)(2)	Common Shares	14,041

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MARKMAN ADAM SCOTT C/O EQUITY COMMONWEALTH TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 2100 CHICAGO, IL 60606			EVP, CFO & Treasurer	

## Signatures

/s/ Orrin S. Shifrin, 01/25/2017  
attorney-in-fact

\*\*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) Each LTIP Unit will convert automatically into one share of beneficial interest, designated as a unit (an "OP Unit"), in EQC Operating Trust when the LTIP Unit becomes vested and upon equalization of its capital account with the per-unit capital account of the OP Units. OP Units are redeemable for cash or, at the option of Equity Commonwealth, exchangeable for common shares of Equity Commonwealth on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) Represents LTIP Units issued pursuant to the Equity Commonwealth 2015 Omnibus Incentive Plan. The LTIP Units will vest 25% on 1/24/2019, 25% on 1/24/2020 and 50% on 1/24/2021.
- (3) These securities are held by The Adam and Sarah Markman Trust, of which the reporting person is the co-trustee and a beneficiary.

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