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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SANSOM WILLIAM B

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

MID AMERICA APARTMENT

COMMUNITIES INC [MAA]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(City)

(Instr. 3)

(First)

(Street)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

09/14/2010

_ Director Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

6584 POPLAR AVENUE, SUITE

300

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

MEMPHIS, TN 38138-

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

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

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 1. Title of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Conversion

5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of 8. Price Underlying Securities Derivati

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	(A)	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Nu of	Number	
Phantom Stock	\$ 0	09/14/2010		A	173		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common	173	\$ 0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SANSOM WILLIAM B 6584 POPLAR AVENUE SUITE 300 MEMPHIS, TN 38138-	X						

Signatures

/s/ Leslie
Wolfgang

**Signature of 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) The units are to be settled in MAA common stock in 2 equal annual installments beginning within 90 days following the end of the calendar year in which the reporting person ceases to be a director.

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