

GELLERSTEDT LAWRENCE L III  
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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 \*  
 GELLERSTEDT LAWRENCE L III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 COUSINS PROPERTIES INC  
 [CUZ]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 191 PEACHTREE STREET, SUITE 3600

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/06/2007

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 SVP-President Office/Multi-Fam

(Street)  
 ATLANTA, GA 30303

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/10/2007		F <sup>(1)</sup>	216 D \$ 24.27	2,216 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Stock					642 <sup>(3)</sup>	I	By Profit Sharing Plan

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 24.27 <sup>(4)</sup>	12/06/2007		A	48,160	12/06/2008 <sup>(4)</sup> 12/06/2017	Common Stock	48,160

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
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## Signatures

Lawrence L. Gellerstedt III  
12/10/2007  
 \*\*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).
- (4) These options were granted under the 1999 Incentive Stock Plan. These options will vest 25% per year on the anniversary of the grant date, with shares being 100% vested in year 4 of the grant term. The reporting person may, as an alternative to exercising the stock option right to purchase CPI stock, elect to exercise the related Stock Appreciation Right (SAR). The exercise of the SAR allows the reporting person to receive the number of whole shares of CPI stock equal to the difference between the fair market value of the stock on the date of exercise and the option price.
- (3) Shares held by the reporting person as beneficiary in the Company's Profit Sharing Plan.
- (1) Shares withheld from the vesting of restricted stock to pay the reporting person's tax liability as permitted under the 1999 Incentive Stock Plan.
- (2) Includes 1,324 restricted stock awarded under the Cousins Properties Incorporated (CPI) 1999 Incentive Stock Plan. These shares will vest 25% per year on each anniversary date of the grant, and CPI will hold these shares until such shares become vested. While the shares are being held prior to vesting, the reporting person will have the right to receive all cash dividends and to vote the restricted shares. All unvested shares will forfeit upon termination of employment.

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