

Keating Donald F  
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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 \*  
Keating Donald F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Whitestone REIT [WSR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
2600 SOUTH GESSNER, SUITE 500

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
06/12/2012

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

HOUSTON, TX 77063

Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Class A Common Shares	06/12/2012		S		618	D	13,145
Class B Common Shares	06/12/2012		A		3,325 <u>(1)</u>	A	13,212

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 (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. F...
Operating Partnership Units <sup>(2)</sup>	<u>(1)</u>	06/12/2012		S	2,707	<u>(3)</u> <u>(4)</u>	Common Shares	2,707 <sup>(5)</sup>

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Keating Donald F 2600 SOUTH GESSNER, SUITE 500 HOUSTON, TX 77063		X		

## Signatures

/s/ David K. Holeman, Attorney-in-Fact for Donald F. Keating      06/12/2012

\*\*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) The reporting person disposed of 618 Class A common shares and 2,707 OP units in exchange for 3,325 Class B common shares in an issuer exchange offer.
- (2) Limited partnership interests in Whitestone REIT Operating Partnership, L.P. ("OP Units").
- (3) The OP units are convertible into cash or, at the Company's option, common shares of the Company.
- (4) There is no expiration date.
- (5) Common shares of beneficial interest, par value \$.001 per share.
- (6) On 08/24/11, the OP units were split 3-for-1, resulting in the reporting person's current ownership of OP Units.

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