

Ladder Capital Corp
Form SC 13D/A
February 02, 2018

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D

(Rule 13d-101)

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT

TO § 240.13d-1(a) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED

PURSUANT TO § 240.13d-2(a)

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 3)*

Ladder Capital Corp

(Name of Issuer)

Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

505743 104

(CUSIP Number)

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February 2, 2018

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of This Statement)

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Note: Schedules filed in paper format shall include a signed original and five copies of the schedule, including all exhibits. *See*

§ 240.13d-7 for other parties to whom copies are to be sent.

* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Act) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, *see* the Notes).

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- 1** NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
- RELATED FUND MANAGEMENT, LLC
- 2** CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
- (a) (b)
- 3** SEC USE ONLY
- 4** SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
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- 5** CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)
- 6** CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
- DELAWARE
- NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
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- 8** SHARED VOTING POWER

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8.2%*

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* The percentage set forth above is calculated based on 88,925,736 shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding as of October 31, 2017, as reported in the Issuer's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2017 filed with the SEC on November 3, 2017 (the Form 10-Q). The percentage excludes the effect of shares of Class A Common Stock issuable on exchange of currently outstanding units of Series REIT of Ladder Capital Finance Holdings (LCFH) and units of Series TRS of LCFH (collectively, Units) and shares of Class B Common Stock of the Issuer. In the event that all outstanding Units and shares of Class B Common Stock are exchanged for shares of Class A Common Stock, such percentage would be equal to 6.6%, which is calculated based on the number of outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock set forth above and 21,822,238 shares of Class B Common Stock and Units outstanding as of October 31, 2017, as reported in the Form 10-Q.

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RELATED REAL ESTATE FUND II GP-A, LLC

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Item 1. Security and Issuer

This Amendment No. 3 to Schedule 13D (Amendment No. 3) relates to the Schedule 13D filed on March 13, 2017 and amended prior to the date of this amendment (as so amended prior to this amendment, the Original Schedule 13D) by Related Fund Management, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (Related Management), Related Real Estate Fund II GP-A, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (Related GP-A), Related Real Estate Fund II GP, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (Related GP), Related Real Estate Fund II, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (Related Fund), RREFII Acquisitions, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (RREFII Acquisitions), and RREF II Ladder LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (RREF Ladder), all of whom are together referred to as the Reporting Persons, relating to the Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share (Shares), of Ladder Capital Corp, a Delaware corporation (the Issuer). Capitalized terms used but not defined in this amendment shall have the meanings set forth in the Original Schedule 13D.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

Item 4 of the Original Schedule 13D is hereby amended by adding a new fourth paragraph to read in full as follows:

On February 2, 2018, Related Management and the Issuer entered into a confidentiality agreement, as further described in Item 6 to this Amendment No. 3 (such agreement, the Confidentiality Agreement). Item 6 to this Amendment No. 3 is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer.

Item 6 of the Original Schedule 13D is hereby amended by adding a new paragraph to the end thereof that reads in full as follows:

Confidentiality Agreement

The Confidentiality Agreement contains customary terms and conditions, including a twelve month standstill provision covering Related Management and its affiliates (and their representatives while acting on behalf of Related Management and its affiliates), which for so long as it is in effect supersedes the standstill provision set forth in the Stockholders Agreement (as such term is defined in the Original 13D). The foregoing summary of the Confidentiality Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the copy thereof filed as Exhibit 9 herewith, which is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits.

Exhibit	Description
Exhibit 1*	Joint Filing Agreement, dated as of March 13, 2017, among the Reporting Persons.
Exhibit 2*	Directors and Executive Officers of Reporting Persons, Related Companies and Realty Group
Exhibit 3*	Stock Purchase Agreement, dated as of February 27, 2017, by and among RREF II Ladder LLC, GI Ladder Holdco LLC, GI Partners Fund III-B, L.P., GI Partners Fund III-A, L.P., TI II Ladder Holdings, LLC, TowerBrook Investors II AIV, L.P., GP09 PX (LAPP) Ladder Capital LTD., GP09 GV Ladder Capital LTD., GP09 PX Ladder Capital LTD. and OCP LCF Holdings Inc.
Exhibit 4*	Stockholders Agreement, dated March 3, 2017, by and among Ladder Capital Corp, RREF II Ladder LLC and any permitted transferee that becomes a party thereto by executing and delivering a joinder

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thereto.

- Exhibit 5* Lock-Up Agreement, dated March 3, 2017, by and between Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. and RREF II Ladder LLC.
- Exhibit 6* Second Amended and Restated Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of March 3, 2017, by and among Ladder Capital Corp, Ladder Capital Finance Holdings LLLP, and each of the investors named therein.
- Exhibit 7* Stock Purchase Agreement, dated as of November 9, 2017, by and among RREF II Ladder LLC, TI II Ladder Holdings, LLC and TowerBrook Investors II AIV, L.P.
- Exhibit 8* Letter, dated January 15, 2018, from Related Management to the Board of Directors of the Issuer.
- Exhibit 9 Confidentiality Agreement, dated February 2, 2018, between Related Management and the Issuer.

* Previously filed.

SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of our knowledge and belief, the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: February 2, 2018

RELATED FUND MANAGEMENT, LLC

By: /s/ Richard O Toole
Richard O Toole
Executive Vice President

Date: February 2, 2018

RELATED REAL ESTATE FUND II GP-A,
LLC

By: /s/ Richard O Toole
Richard O Toole
Executive Vice President

Date: February 2, 2018

RELATED REAL ESTATE FUND II GP,
L.P.

By: Related Real Estate Fund II GP-A, LLC,
its general partner

By: /s/ Richard O Toole
Richard O Toole
Executive Vice President

Date: February 2, 2018

RELATED REAL ESTATE FUND II, L.P.

By: Related Real Estate Fund II GP, L.P., its
general partner

By: Related Real Estate Fund II GP-A, LLC,
its general partner

By: /s/ Richard O Toole
Richard O Toole
Executive Vice President

Date: February 2, 2018

RREFII ACQUISITIONS, LLC

By: /s/ Richard O Toole
Richard O Toole
Vice President

Date: February 2, 2018

RREF II LADDER LLC

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By: /s/ Richard O Toole
Richard O Toole
Executive Vice President

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