FRITSCH EDWARD J

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securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

Form 5

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Pe FRITSCH EDWARD J	Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES INC [HIW]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
	[HIW]					(Check all applicable)				
	(Month/D 12/31/20	(Month/Day/Year)				X Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) President & CEO				
C/O HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES, INC., 3100 SMOKETREE COURT, SUITE 600										
(Street)	endment, Date Original onth/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line)					
RALEIGH, NC 27604						_X_ Form Filed by Form Filed by Person				
(City) (State) (Zi	^{Cip)} Table	e I - Non-Deri	vative Sec	uritie		iired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficia	llv Owned		
(Instr. 3)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)			
			Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	329,221 (1)	D	Â		
Common Stock Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	70	I	By Children		

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	Number	Expiration D	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)	
	Security				Acquired					
	•				(A) or					
					Disposed					
					of (D)					
					(Instr. 3,					
					4, and 5)					
					.,					
									Amount	
						Date	Expiration		or	
						Exercisable	Date	Title	Number	
						Exercisable	Date		of	
					(A) (D)				Shares	

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
FRITSCH EDWARD J C/O HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES, INC. 3100 SMOKETREE COURT, SUITE 600 RALEIGH, NC 27604	ÂX	Â	President & CEO	Â			

Signatures

/s/Willis B. Howard Attorney-in-fact for Edward J. O2/12/2010 Fritsch

**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) Includes 864 shares purchased in 2009 through the Company's ESPP.

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