

NATIONAL PROPERTY INVESTORS III  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 APARTMENT INVESTMENT & MANAGEMENT CO

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 NATIONAL PROPERTY INVESTORS III [NONE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 4582 SOUTH ULSTER STREET  
 PARKWAY, SUITE 1100

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 07/12/2006

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

(Street)  
 DENVER, CO 80237

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			
Limited Partnership Units	07/12/2006		P	28 <sup>(1)</sup> A \$ 178.35	37,400 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	See Footnote Below <sup>(3)</sup>

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)**

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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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
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## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

APARTMENT INVESTMENT & MANAGEMENT CO  
 4582 SOUTH ULSTER STREET PARKWAY  
 SUITE 1100  
 DENVER, CO 80237

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## Signatures

/s/ Derek McCandless, Vice President and Assistant Secretary, Apartment Investment and Management Company

07/13/2006

\_\_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) These Limited Partnership Units ("Units") were directly purchased by AIMCO Properties, L.P. ("AIMCO Properties").
- (2) Consists of 15,834 Units held by AIMCO Properties; and 21,566.00 Units held by AIMCO IPLP, L.P. ("IPLP").
- (3) AIMCO Properties is a joint filer with AIMCO-GP, Inc. ("AIMCO-GP") and Apartment Investment and Management Company ("AIMCO") for purposes of Section 13(d) reporting of the Exchange Act. AIMCO-GP is the sole general partner of AIMCO Properties and a wholly-owned subsidiary of AIMCO. IPLP is a joint filer with AIMCO/IPT, Inc. ("AIMCO/IPT") and AIMCO for purposes of Section 13(d) reporting of the Exchange Act. AIMCO/IPT is the sole general partner of IPLP and a wholly-owned subsidiary of AIMCO.

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