FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

| STATEMENT | OF CHANGES | S IN BENEFICIAL | OWNERSHIP |
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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* CONTIS DAVID J | | | | | EC | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol EQUITY LIFESTYLE PROPERTIES INC [ELS] | | | | | | | | | (Check all applicable) X Director Officer (give | | | 10% Owner title Other (specif | | er |
|---|---|--|------------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|------------------|---|---------|--|--|---|--|---|--------------|---|---|---------------------------|---|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O EQUITY LIFESTYLE PROPERTIES, INC TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 800 | | | | 05/ | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/01/2018 | | | | | | | | | below) | | | | ow) | | |
| (Street) | Street) CHICAGO IL 60606 | | | _ | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | |
| (City) | (Si | | (Zip) | | <u> </u> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date | | 2. Transacti | on | n 2A. Deemed Execution Date, | | , | 3. Transaction | | A. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of | | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | | |
| | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Tran | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (Instr. 4) | | |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 | | | 05/01/2018 | | 3 | | | A ⁽¹⁾ | | 1,115 | A | \$89.65 | | 2,631 | | D | | | | |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 | | 05/01/2018 | | 3 | | | A ⁽²⁾ | | 223 | A | \$89.65 | | 2,854 | | D | | | | | |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 | | 05/02/2018 | | | | | G | V | 657 | D | \$0 | | 2,197 | | D | | | | | |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 | | 05/02/2018 | | | | | G | V | 657 | A | \$0 | | 22,660 | | I | | By Contis Family Trust | | | |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 | | | | | | | | | | | | | 500 | | | <u>I</u> (3) | | As custodian for grandchildren through UGMA | | |
| | | Т | able | | | | | | | | posed of , converti | | | | wned | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | if any | eemed Ition Date, h/Day/Year) | 4. Transa Code (8) | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Expira (Month | tion Da | ate Amou Year) Secur Under Deriva | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Inderlying Derivative Security Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | | mber of ative rities ficially ed wing rted saction(s) | 10. Owners Form: Direct (or Indir (I) (Inst | ship o (D) C ect (I | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | | v | (A) (I | D) | Date Exerci | sable | Expiration Date | Title | Amour or Number of Shares | er | | | | | | |
| Non- Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$18.865 | | | | | | | | 08/01/ | 2009 | 02/01/2019 | Non- Qualifie Stock Option (Right to Buy) | 5,60 |)0 | | | 0 | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- $1.\ Grant\ of\ restricted\ stock\ subject\ to\ vest\ as\ follows:\ 1/3\ on\ 11/1/18,\ 1/3\ on\ 5/1/19,\ and\ 1/3\ on\ 5/1/20$
- 2. Grant of restricted stock subject to vesting on 5/1/19
- 3. Shares are held by Mr. Contis in custodial accounts for his grandchildren.

Remarks:

Barb Itter by Power of **Attorney for David Contis**

05/03/2018

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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).

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