

FRITSCH EDWARD J
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
FRITSCH EDWARD J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES INC
[HIW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
President & CEO

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES, INC., 3100 SMOKETREE COURT, SUITE 600

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/21/2004

(Street)
RALEIGH, NC 27604

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			
Common Stock	12/21/2004		G	400 ⁽¹⁾ D ₍₂₎	81,356	D	

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Units ⁽³⁾	⁽⁴⁾	12/22/2004		G	400 ⁽¹⁾	⁽⁴⁾ ⁽⁴⁾	Common Stock	400
Phantom Stock ⁽⁵⁾	⁽⁶⁾	12/31/2004		A	39.35	01/31/2010 01/31/2010	Common Stock	39.35

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	X		President & CEO	

Signatures

Cynthia M. Latvala, for Edward J. Fritsch 01/04/2005
 __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) Annual December Charitable Gifting.
- (2) Shares were certificated in the name of recipient
- (3) Limited partnership units in the issuer's operating partnership.
- (4) Each limited partnership unit in the issuer's operating partnership may be redeemed for cash equal to the fair market value of a share of the issuer's common stock or, at the election of the issuer, a share of the issuer's common stock.
- (5) Pursuant to issuer's Deferred Compensation Plan adopted under its 1994 Stock Option Plan.
- (6) Security converts to cash price of common stock on a one-for-one basis.

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