

AMERICAN RETIREMENT CORP

Form 4

July 29, 2005

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Jarvis David R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O MERCURY REAL ESTATE
ADVISORS LLC, 100 FIELD
POINT ROAD

(Street)

GREENWICH, CT 06830

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

AMERICAN RETIREMENT CORP
[ACR]

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

05/31/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____X____ 10% Owner
____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
X Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>	05/31/2005		P		22,000	A	\$ 13.58	4,436,600	I	See Footnote <u>(3)</u>
Common Stock <u>(2)</u>	05/31/2005		P		22,000	A	\$ 13.58	4,436,600	I	See Footnote <u>(4)</u>

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

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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. Nu
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Jarvis David R C/O MERCURY REAL ESTATE ADVISORS LLC 100 FIELD POINT ROAD GREENWICH, CT 06830	X
MacLean Malcolm F IV C/O MERCURY REAL ESTATE ADVISORS LLC 100 FIELD POINT ROAD GREENWICH, CT 06830	X

Signatures

/s/ David R. Jarvis 07/29/2005

__Signature of Reporting
Person

Date

/s/ Malcolm F.
MacLean IV

07/29/2005

__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) These shares were acquired by Mercury Real Estate Advisors, LLC ("Advisors"), a registered investment adviser, on behalf of certain managed accounts (the "Managed Accounts"), for which Advisors serves as the investment adviser. Mr. David R. Jarvis is a managing member of Advisors. Mr. Jarvis disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held directly by the Managed Accounts, except to the extent

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of the pecuniary interest, if any, in such shares as a result of his membership interest in Advisors, which has a contingent right to receive a performance-based advisory fee from the Managed Accounts. That performance-based fee qualifies for the exemption set forth in Rule 16a-1(a)(2)(ii)(C) except in the limited circumstances where an investor in a Managed Account joins or withdraws from a Managed Account.

- (2) These shares were acquired by Advisors on behalf of the Managed Accounts. Mr. Malcolm F. MacLean IV is a managing member of Advisors. Mr. MacLean disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held directly by the Managed Accounts, except to the extent of the pecuniary interest, if any, in such shares as a result of his membership interest in Advisors, which has a contingent right to receive a performance-based advisory fee from the Managed Accounts. That performance-based fee qualifies for the exemption set forth in Rule 16a-1(a)(2)(ii)(C) except in the limited circumstances where an investor in a Managed Account joins or withdraws from a Managed Account.

- (3) The shares reported in Column 5 are held directly by certain private investment funds (the "Funds") and the Managed Accounts, for which Advisors serves as the investment adviser. Mr. Jarvis disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held directly by the Funds and the Managed Accounts, except to the extent of the pecuniary interest, if any, in such shares as a result of his membership interest in Advisors, which has a contingent right to receive a performance-based advisory fee from each of the Funds and Managed Accounts. That performance-based fee qualifies for the exemption set forth in Rule 16a-1(a)(2)(ii)(C), except in the limited circumstances where an investor in a Fund or Managed Account joins or withdraws from such Fund or Managed Account, as applicable.

- (4) The shares reported in Column 5 are held directly by the Funds and the Managed Accounts, for which Advisors serves as the investment adviser. Mr. MacLean disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held directly by the Funds and the Managed Accounts, except to the extent of the pecuniary interest, if any, in such shares as a result of his membership interest in Advisors, which has a contingent right to receive a performance-based advisory fee from each of the Funds and Managed Accounts. That performance-based fee qualifies for the exemption set forth in Rule 16a-1(a)(2)(ii)(C), except in the limited circumstances where an investor in a Fund or Managed Account joins or withdraws from such Fund or Managed Account, as applicable.

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