

Education Realty Trust, Inc.  
 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**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Richards Christine

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 999 SOUTH SHADY GROVE ROAD, SUITE 600  
 (Street)

MEMPHIS, TN 38120

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Education Realty Trust, Inc. [EDR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/04/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Executive VP and COO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 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

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)**

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Profit-Only Interest <u>(1)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	02/04/2016 <sup>(3)</sup>	A	11,048					<u>(1)(2)</u>	<u>(1)(2)</u>	Common Stock	11,048

### Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Richards Christine 999 SOUTH SHADY GROVE ROAD, SUITE 600 MEMPHIS, TN 38120			Executive VP and COO	

### Signatures

/s/ Lindsey Mackie, as Attorney in Fact for Christine Richards 02/08/2016

\*\*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) Represents a grant of performance based awards pursuant to the Education Realty Trust, Inc. ("EdR") 2016 Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan"), which will vest upon continued employment at the end of a three year performance period provided that certain performance criteria are met over that three year period. The reporting person has elected to receive her performance based award in the form of profit-only interests ("POIs") in Education Realty Operating Partnership, LP (the "Operating Partnership"), a subsidiary of EdR. Each performance based award represents a contingent right to receive 0-100% of that number of POIs based upon the achievement of certain performance criteria set forth in the Plan. The amount presented represents the maximum number of POIs that the reporting person can receive upon achieving the maximum performance (or 100%) level.
- (2) Upon the occurrence of certain capital account equalization events, the POIs will become ordinary units of the Operating Partnership and be exchangeable for cash or, at EdR's option, shares of EdR's common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (3) The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of EdR approved the total dollar value of a grant of performance based awards on February 4, 2016, at a fair value per unit to be determined. EdR engaged an independent third party valuation consultant to establish the fair value on the date of grant. On February 8, 2016, the valuation report was finalized and the grant of POIs was determined.
- (4) Represents (i) 554 POIs granted under the EdR 2015 Long-Term Incentive Plan that vested on January 1, 2016, (ii) 1,108 POIs granted under the 2015 Long-Term Incentive Plan that will vest ratably on January 1, 2017 and January 1, 2018, (iii) 10,548 POIs granted under the 2015 Long-Term Incentive Plan that vest on January 1, 2018, subject to certain performance conditions, (iv) 2,310 POIs issued under the 2016 Long-Term Incentive Plan which will vest ratably over three years beginning on January 1, 2017 and (v) 11,048 newly granted POIs described above.

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