

MID AMERICA APARTMENT COMMUNITIES INC  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 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 * FRENCH RUSSELL R (Last) (First) (Middle) 6584 POPLAR AVE (Street) MEMPHIS, TN 38138 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 12/01/2016	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MID AMERICA APARTMENT COMMUNITIES INC [MAA]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	22,843 <sup>(1)</sup>	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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable      Expiration Date	Title      Amount or Number of			

				Shares		(I)	
						(Instr. 5)	
PPS Phantom Stock	Â (2)	Â (2)	Common Stock	18,093.6239	\$ (2)		D Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FRENCH RUSSELL R 6584 POPLAR AVE MEMPHIS, TN 38138	Â X	Â	Â	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Leslie  
Wolfgang

12/09/2016

\*\*Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) As of December 1, 2016, the Issuer acquired Post Properties, Inc. pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of August 15, 2016 by and among Mid-America Apartment Communities, Inc., Mid-America Apartments, L.P., Post Properties, Inc., Post GP Holdings, Inc. and Post Apartment Homes, L.P. Each outstanding share of Post Properties, Inc. Common Stock was converted into .71 shares of MAA Common Stock with cash paid for fractional shares.

(2) Phantom stock units were held in the Post Properties, Inc. Amended and Restated Deferred Compensation Plan. Value of the units will be settled in cash as a result of the Parent Merger pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of August 15, 2016, by and among Mid-America Apartment Communities, Inc., Mid-America Apartments, L.P., Post Properties, Inc., Post GP Holdings, Inc., and Post Apartment Homes, L.P.

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