

U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 4

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SUBJECT TO SECTION 16. FORM 4  
OR FORM 5 OBLIGATIONS MAY  
CONTINUE. SEE INSTRUCTION 1(B).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or  
Section 30(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person\*

Thomas	Roger	W.
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(Last)	(First)	(Middle)
c/o Mack-Cali Realty Corporation		
11 Commerce Drive		
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(Street)		
Cranford	NJ	07016
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Mack-Cali Realty Corporation (CLI)

3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)

4. Statement for Month/Year

12/97

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

-----	Director	-----	10% Owner
X	Officer (give title below)	-----	Other (specify below)

Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Assistant Secretary

7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person

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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  
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TABLE 1 -- NON-DERIVATIVE SECURITIES ACQUIRED, DISPOSED OF, OR BENEFICIALLY OWNED

1. Title of Security 7. Nature (Instr. 3) of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3. Trans- action Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)
		Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
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\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b) (v).

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

(Print or Type Responses)

(Over)

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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 Date Exercisable (Instr. 3) and Expiration Date (Month/Day/ Year)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6.
		Date	Code		

Date      Expiration

Code      V      (A)      (D)

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Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) (1)		\$38.75	12/12/97	A	V	97,137
12/12/07						

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7. Title and Amount of of Indirect Underlying Securities Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature

Title	Amount or Number of Shares	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>
Common Stock	97,137		134,803	D	

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Explanation of Responses:

(1) The option vests in five equal annual installments beginning on 12/31/97.

                                /s/ Roger W. Thomas                    1/12/98  
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\*\*Signature of Reporting Person                    Date

\*\*Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space provided is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

