FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Ty	pe Response	s)														
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BERNIKOW ALAN S				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MACK CALI REALTY CORP [CLI]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) _X_ Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O MACK-CALI REALTY CORPORATION, 343 THORNALL STREET				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/09/2008						Office	r (give title belo	ow)	Other (specify	below)		
(Street) EDISON, NJ 08837				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ 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												
(Instr. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 8)		(A) or (D)	Securities Acquire) or Disposed of) str. 3, 4 and 5)		Beneficial	t of Securities ly Owned Following Fransaction(s) and 4)		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
						C	ode	V	Amou	(A) or (D)	Price	,			(I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common	Stock		12/09/2008			A	(1)		2,720 (1)	A	\$ 0 (1)	8,720			D	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		Execution Date (Year)	e, if Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		Number ar		and E	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		An Un Sec	Title and nount of iderlying curities str. 3 and	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Owners Form o Derivat Security Direct (or Indir	Beneficia Ownersh (Instr. 4)
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Reporting Owners

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BERNIKOW ALAN S C/O MACK-CALI REALTY CORPORATION 343 THORNALL STREET EDISON, NJ 08837	X						

Signatures

/s/ Alan S. Bernikow	12/11/2008
**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) On December 9, 2008, the reporting person was granted 2,720 restricted shares of common stock pursuant to the Amended and Restated 2000 Director Stock Option Plan of Mack-Cali Realty Corporation. The shares shall vest on January 1, 2010.

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