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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Form 5 obligations may Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

| (Print or Typ   | e Responses   | s)                    |                      |                      |   |               |                 |                                    |   |       |                         |  |  |                  |  |  |            |  |
|---|---|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|---------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|---|-------|-------------------------|--|--|------------------|--|--|------------|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MACK WILLIAM L |   |                       |                      |                      | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MACK CALI REALTY CORP [CLI] |               |                 |                                    |   |       |                         | _X_ D  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner   |                  |  |  |            |  |
| C/O MACK-CALI REALTY CORPORATION, 11 COMMERCE DRIVE     |   |                       |                      |                      | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/06/2004             |               |                 |                                    |   |       |                         | Oi   | ficer (give tit  | le below)        | Other (  | specify below)   |            |  |
| (Street) CRANFORD, NJ 07016                             |   |                       |                      | 4. If A              | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                    |               |                 |                                    |   |       |                         | _X_ Form   | 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 Acqui                               |               |                 |                                    |   |       |                         | Acquired, Di   | ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned   |                  |  |  |            |  |
| 1.Title of So (Instr. 3)                                | 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye   |                       | ear) Ex              | Execution Date, if C |   | (In           | ode<br>nstr. 8) |                                    | 4. Securities Acquire (A) or Disposed of (I (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or Amount (D) Pr |       | D) Owned<br>Transac     | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially<br>Owned Following Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |  | C<br>F<br>C<br>o | Ownership<br>orm:<br>Direct (D)<br>r Indirect  | Beneficial<br>Ownership  |            |  |
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|   |   | cise (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if T | Code                 | Transaction of Deriva<br>Code Securities                                |               |                 | ive Date of Se (In Month/Day/Year) |   |       |                         |  |  |                  | 9. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s) | Ownership<br>Form of<br>Derivative<br>Security:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect | (Instr. 4) |  |
|   |   |                       |                      | Code                 | v   | (A)           | (D)             | Date<br>Exercisa                   | able  | Expir | ration Date             | Title  | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares   |                  | (Instr. 4)   | (Instr. 4)   |            |  |
| Phantom<br>Stock<br>Units                               | \$ 0 (1)  | 01/06/2004            |                      | A                    |   | 212.62<br>(2) |                 | 08/08/                             | 1988 <mark>C</mark>   | 08/0  | 98/1988 <mark>(3</mark> | Common<br>Stock  | 212.62   | \$40.56          | 3,826.563  | D  |            |  |

## **Reporting Owners**

|   | Relationships |              |         |       |  |  |
|---|---------------|--------------|---------|-------|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Director      | 10%<br>Owner | Officer | Other |  |  |
| MACK WILLIAM L<br>C/O MACK-CALI REALTY CORPORATION<br>11 COMMERCE DRIVE<br>CRANFORD, NJ 07016 | X             |              |         |       |  |  |

## **Signatures**

| /s/ William L. Mack             | 01/08/2004 |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| **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) The phantom stock units convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) The number of phantom stock units awarded is comprised of a quarterly director's fee earned and quarterly dividend credited on cumulative phantom stock units under the Mack-Cali Realty Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors.
- (3) The phantom stock units were accrued under the Mack-Cali Realty Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors and are to be settled 100% in Mack-Cali Realty Corporation common stock upon the termination of the reporting person's service on the Board of Directors of Mack-Cali Realty Corporation or upon a change in control of Mack-Cali Realty Corporation.

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