WASHINGTON REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST Form 8-K September 13, 2012

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) September 12, 2012 WASHINGTON REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) MARYLAND 53-0261100 (State of incorporation) (IRS Employer Identification Number) 6110 EXECUTIVE BOULEVARD, SUITE 800, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND 20852 (Address of principal executive office) (Zip code) Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (301) 984-9400

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 1.01 Entry Into A Material Definitive Agreement.

The response set forth below under Item 8.01 is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On September 12, 2012, Washington Real Estate Investment Trust ("WRIT") entered into an Underwriting Agreement (the "Underwriting Agreement") with J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Wells Fargo Securities, LLC and Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, as representatives of the underwriters named therein, in connection with the offer and sale of \$300,000,000 aggregate principal amount of WRIT's 3.95% senior notes due October 15, 2022 (the "Notes").

WRIT and the Underwriters intend to consummate the sale and purchase of the Notes pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement on September 17, 2012.

The Notes are described in WRIT's prospectus supplement dated September 12, 2012 (the "Prospectus Supplement") supplementing WRIT's prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") pursuant to a Registration Statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-182264), filed with the SEC on June 21, 2012, and declared effective on June 21, 2012 (the "Registration Statement"). The Prospectus Supplement was filed with the SEC on September 13, 2012 pursuant to Rule 424(b)(5) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

In connection with the offering of the Notes, WRIT is filing certain exhibits as part of this Form 8-K that are incorporated by reference in their entirety in the Registration Statement.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

The following exhibits are filed with this report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit No. Description

Underwriting Agreement, dated September 12, 2012, by and between WRIT and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Wells Fargo Securities, LLC and Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, as

^{1.1} representatives of the underwriters named therein, in connection with the offer and sale of \$300,000,000 aggregate principal amount of WRIT's 3.95% senior notes due October 15, 2022

5.1 Opinion of Arent Fox LLP

23.1 Consent of Arent Fox LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1)

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

WASHINGTON REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST (Registrant)

By: /s/ Laura M. Franklin (Signature)

> Laura M. Franklin Executive Vice President Accounting, Administration and Corporate Secretary

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