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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading GELLERSTEDT LAWRENCE L III Issuer Symbol **COUSINS PROPERTIES INC** (Check all applicable) [CUZ] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 2500 WINDY RIDGE 12/11/2006 SVP-President Office/Multi-Fam PARKWAY, SUITE 1600 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting ATLANTA, GA 30339

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	rivative S	Securi	ties Acc	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or		5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	12/11/2006		Code V M(1)	Amount 262	(D)	Price \$ 0 (1)	2,910 (2)	D	
Common Stock	12/11/2006		F(3)	216	D	\$ 36	2,694 (2)	D	
Common Stock	12/11/2006		D	262	D	\$ 36	2,432 (2)	D	

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amor or Numl of Sh
Phantom Stock	<u>(4)</u>	12/11/2006		A	7,692		12/11/2007(4)	12/11/2010	Common Stock	7,6
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>	12/11/2006		M <u>(1)</u>		262	12/11/2006(4)	12/09/2009	Common Stock	26
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 36 (5)	12/11/2006		A	43,948		12/11/2007(5)	12/11/2016	Common Stock	43,9

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GELLERSTEDT LAWRENCE L III 2500 WINDY RIDGE PARKWAY **SUITE 1600** ATLANTA, GA 30339

SVP-President Office/Multi-Fam

Signatures

Lawrence L. 12/14/2006 Gellerstedt III

**Signature of Reporting Date

Person

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).
- Restricted stock units were granted under the Cousins Properties Incorporated 2005 Restricted Stock Unit (the 2005 RSU Plan) and have (1) vested as to 25% of the total units granted. As permitted under the 2005 RSU Plan, the reporting person settled the 262 vested units for cash from CPI. Each restricted stock unit is the economic equivalent of one share of CPI common stock.
- (5) These options were granted under the 1999 Incentive Stock Plan. These options will vest 25% per year on the anniversary of the grant date, with shares being 100% vested in year 4 of the grant term. The reporting person may, as an alternative to exercising the stock option

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right to purchase CPI stock, elect to exercise the related Stock Appreciation Right (SAR). The exercise of the SAR allows the reporting person to receive the number of whole shares of CPI stock equal to the difference between the fair market value of the stock on the date of exercise and the option price.

Award of restricted stock units under the 2005 RSU Plan. Each unit represents a right to receive a payment in cash equal to the fair market value of one share of CPI's common stock as of the date payment is due under the plan. These units will vest 25% per year on each anniversary date of the grant, with units being 100% vested in year 4 of the grant term. While the shares are being held prior to

- (4) each anniversary date of the grant, with units being 100% vested in year 4 of the grant term. While the shares are being held prior to vesting, the reporting person will have the right to receive all cash dividends but will not have shareholder rights. All unvested shares will forfeit upon termination of employment.
- (3) Shares withheld from the vesting of restricted stock to pay the reporting person's tax liability as permitted under the 1999 Incentive Stock Plan.
- Includes 1,986 restricted stock awarded under the Cousins Properties Incorporated (CPI) 1999 Incentive Stock Plan. These shares will vest 25% per year on each anniversary date of the grant, and CPI will hold these shares until such shares become vested. While the shares are being held prior to vesting, the reporting person will have the right to receive all cash dividends and to vote the restricted shares. All unvested shares will forfeit upon termination of employment.

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