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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Nelsen Michael</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O ACADIA REALTY TRUST</u> <u>1311 MAMARONECK AVENUE, SUITE 260</u> (Street) <u>WHITE PLAINS NY</u> <u>10605</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ACADIA REALTY TRUST [AKR]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Senior Vice President</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>03/15/2012</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount				

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Limited Partnership Units	\$21.55	03/15/2012		A		35,434 ⁽¹⁾		(1)	(1)	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	35,434	\$0 ⁽¹⁾	87,865 ⁽²⁾	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- On March 15, 2012 ("Grant Date"), Mr. Nelsen was awarded these restricted limited partnership units in Acadia Realty Limited Partnership ("LTIP Units"). 12,003 of these LTIP Units shall vest subject to the following schedule: equal amounts shall vest on January 6, 2013 (the "First Vesting Date") and on each of the first, second, third and fourth anniversaries thereof, provided that Mr. Nelsen continues to be employed by the Company through the vesting date in question (each a "Vesting Date"). 50% of the remaining 23,431 LTIP Units will vest subject to the same schedule and Mr. Nelsen's continued employment and the other 50% subject to the same schedule, Mr. Nelsen's continued employment and Acadia Realty Trust (the "Company") achieving certain annual and cumulative benchmarks established by the Company's Board of Trustees.
- This number represents the total number of LTIP Units (22,435 vested and 65,430 unvested) now held by Mr. Nelsen.

Remarks:

Michael Nelsen 03/15/2012
 ** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

* 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).

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