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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): 09/05/2006

**Wells Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File Number: 000-25739

**MD**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**58-2328421**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**6200 The Corners Parkway**  
**Norcross, GA 30092-3365**  
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

**770-449-7800**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Information to be included in the report

**Item 8.01. Other Events**

On September 5, 2006, the board of directors of Wells Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc. (the "Registrant") declared dividends for the third quarter of 2006 in the amount of \$0.1467 (14.67 cents) per share on the outstanding common shares of the Registrant to all shareholders of record of such shares as shown on the books of the Registrant at the close of business on September 15, 2006. Such dividends are to be paid on such date during the month of September 2006 as the President of the Registrant may determine.

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**Signature(s)**

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.

Wells Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc.

Date: September 05, 2006

By: /s/ Douglas P. Williams

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Douglas P. Williams  
Executive Vice President