

**FORM 5**

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Form 3 Holdings Reported.

Form 4 Transactions Reported.

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

**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <b>STRICKLAND NEIL H</b>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <b>4800 RIVER GREEN PKWY</b>  (Street) <b>DULUTH GA 30096</b>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>WELLS REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST INC [N/A]</b>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner  Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) <b>12/31/2006</b>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	03/22/2006		P	21.87	A	\$ 8.31	1,328.58	D	
Common Stock	06/22/2006		P	22.25	A	\$ 8.31	1,328.58	D	
Common Stock	09/22/2006		P	22.65	A	\$ 8.31	1,328.58	D	
Common Stock	12/22/2006		P	23.05	A	\$ 8.31	1,328.58	D	

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)
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Warrants	\$ 12	03/22/2006		A	0.87		03/22/2006	(1)	Common Stock	0.87	\$ 12	53.14	D	
Warrants	\$ 12	06/22/2006		A	0.89		06/22/2006	(1)	Common Stock	0.89	\$ 12	53.14	D	
Warrants	\$ 12	09/22/2006		A	0.91		09/22/2006	(1)	Common Stock	0.91	\$ 12	53.14	D	
Warrants	\$ 12	12/22/2006		A	0.92		12/22/2006	(1)	Common Stock	0.92	\$ 12	53.14	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. Expiration date of warrants shall be the earlier of (i) 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on the fifth anniversary of the date of a listing of Wells Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc. ("Wells REIT") shares on a national exchange, (ii) the date of removal "for cause" of the independent director to whom the warrant was issued as a director of Wells REIT, or (iii) three months following the date the independent director to whom the warrant was issued ceases to be a director of Wells REIT for any reason, except for death or disability, to which the warrant expires one year from the date of death.

Douglas P. Williams,  
Attorney-in-Fact

02/13/2007

\*\* 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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