

NATIONAL HEALTH INVESTORS INC  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Mendelsohn D. Eric

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 NATIONAL HEALTH INVESTORS INC [NHI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 222 ROBERT ROSE DRIVE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 04/20/2017

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 CEO and President

MURFREESBORO, TN 37129  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Price				
Common Stock	04/20/2017	04/20/2017	M	V	12,500	A	\$ 60.52	21,151	D
Common Stock	04/20/2017	04/20/2017	F		11,071	D	\$ 75.49	10,080	D

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

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**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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 60.52	04/20/2017	04/20/2017	M		12,500		02/22/2017	02/22/2021	Common Stock	12,500
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 72.11							02/20/2017	02/20/2020	Common Stock	13,334
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 60.52							02/22/2018	02/22/2021	Common Stock	25,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy) - 2-22-17 exp 2-22-22	\$ 74.78							02/22/2017	02/22/2022	Common Stock	33,333
Stock Options (Right to Buy) 2-22-18 Exp 2-22-22	\$ 74.78							02/22/2018	02/22/2022	Common Stock	33,333
Stock Options (Right to Buy) 2-22-19 exp 2-22-22	\$ 74.78							02/22/2019	02/22/2022	Common Stock	33,334

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Mendelsohn D. Eric 222 ROBERT ROSE DRIVE MURFREESBORO, TN 37129			CEO and President	

## Signatures

/s/D. Eric  
Mendelsohn 04/21/2017

    Signature of                      Date  
Reporting Person

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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