

Columbia Equity Trust, Inc.  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Carr Oliver T III

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1750 H STREET, N.W. SUITE 500  
 (Street)

WASHINGTON, DC 20006

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Columbia Equity Trust, Inc. [COE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 07/05/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 President/ CEO/Chairman

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. D
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
LTIP Units	\$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup>	07/05/2005	A		35,000		<sup>(2)</sup>	<sup>(3)</sup>	Units	35,000
Units	\$ 0 <sup>(4)</sup>	07/05/2005	J <sup>(5)</sup>		102,120 <sup>(6)</sup>		<sup>(4)</sup>	<sup>(7)</sup>	Common Stock	102,120
Units	\$ 0 <sup>(4)</sup>	07/05/2005	J <sup>(8)</sup>		128,798 <sup>(9)</sup>		<sup>(4)</sup>	<sup>(7)</sup>	Common Stock	128,798

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Carr Oliver T III 1750 H STREET, N.W. SUITE 500 WASHINGTON, DC 20006	X		President/ CEO/Chairman	

## Signatures

/s/ John M. Novack  
Attorney-in-Fact  
  
07/07/2005  
Date

\*\*Signature of Reporting 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).
- (1) LTIP Units may be converted into units of limited partnership interest ("Units") of Columbia Equity, LP, of which the issuer is the general partner, on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) The LTIP Units are exercisable in five equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (3) LTIP Units will expire upon dissolution or the expiration of the term of Columbia Equity, LP, whichever occurs first.
- (4) Units may be redeemed for shares of the issuer's Common Stock on a one-for-one basis or, at the election of the issuer, cash equal to the fair market value of such shares, beginning July 5, 2006.
- (5) The Units were acquired by Carr Capital Corporation ("CCC") in exchange for CCC's contribution of asset and property management agreements to Columbia Equity, LP.
- (6) Amount of securities beneficially owned represents reporting person's pro rata ownership interest in CCC. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the remaining balance of Units owned by CCC.
- (7) Units will expire upon the dissolution or expiration of the term of Columbia Equity, LP, whichever occurs first.
- (8)

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The Units were acquired by Carr Capital Real Estate Investments, LLC ("CCREI") in exchange for CCREI's contribution of ownership interests in entities that own certain commercial office properties.

- (9) CCREI is wholly-owned by CCC. Amount of securities beneficially owned represents reporting person's pro rata ownership interest in CCC. Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of remaining balance of Units owned by CCC.

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