FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BARRACK THOMAS JR | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Colony NorthStar, Inc. [CLNS] | | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner | | | | | |
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| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O COLONY NORTHSTAR, INC. 515 SOUTH FLOWER STREET, 44TH FLOOR | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/10/2017 | | | | | | | | | X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive Chairman | | | | | |
| (Street) LOS ANGELES CA 90071 | | | | | - 4. li | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Pe Form filed by More than One Re Person | | | | | | | | | | | rson | | | |
| (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transactic Date (Month/Day/ | | | | ion | on 2A. Deemed Execution Dat | | | 3. Transa Code (1 8) | ction | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or | | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | |
| | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) Pric | | rice | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (Instr. 4) | | | |
| Class A Common Stock | | | | 01/10/2 | 017 | ١7 | | A | | 1,337,324(1) | | A | (2) | 1,337,324 | | I | | By Family Trust | | |
| Class B Common Stock | | | 01/10/2017 | | .7 | | A | | 770,041 ⁽³⁾ A | | A | (4) | 770,041 | | I | | By Family Trust | | | |
| 8.50% Series F Preferred Stock | | | | 01/10/2017 | | 7 | | A | | 373,784 | (5) | A | (5) | 373,784 | | | I | By Managed Investment Vehicle ⁽⁶⁾ | | |
| 7.50% Series G Preferred Stock | | | | 01/10/2017 | | 17 | | A | | 297,841 | (5) | A | (5) | 297,841 | | | I | By Managed Investment Vehicle ⁽⁶⁾ | | |
| 7.125% Series H Preferred Stock | | | 01/10/2017 | | | | A | | 292,093 ⁽⁵⁾ | | A | (5) | 292,093 | | | I | By Managed Investment Vehicle ⁽⁶⁾ | | | |
| | | Ţ | able II | | | | | | | | posed of converti | | | | / Owned | | | | | |
| Security or (Instr. 3) Pri | erivative Conversion Date Execu- ecurity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any | | if any | ion Date, | | ansaction ode (Instr. | | of | | Exerci ion Da Day/Y | | Amou Securi Under Deriva | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secui (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. Ownersh Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. | Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | ode V | | (D) | Date Exercis | able | Expiration Date | Title | or Nu of | ount mber ares | | | | | | |
| OP Units | (7) | | | | | | | | (7) | | (7) | Class Comm Stoc | non | (7) | | 27,336, | ,471 | I | See footnote ⁽⁸⁾ | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Pursuant to the terms of that certain Agreement and Plans of Merger, dated as of June 2, 2016 (as amended by the two separate letter agreements dated July 28, 2016 and October 16, 2016, respectively, the "Merger Agreement"), by and among NorthStar Asset Management Group Inc. ("NSAM"), Colony Capital, Inc., ("Colony"), NorthStar Realty Finance Corp., Colony NorthStar, Inc. (formerly known as New Polaris Inc.) ("Colony NorthStar"), New Sirius Inc., NorthStar Realty Finance Limited Partnership, Sirius Merger Sub-T, LLC and New Sirius Merger Sub, LLC, at the effective time of the merger of Colony into Colony NorthStar ("Merger"), each share of Colony class A common stock converted into the right to receive 1.4663 shares of Colony NorthStar's class A common stock, subject to immaterial adjustments due to rounding and/or fractional shares.
- 2. On the effective date of the Merger, the closing price of Colony's class A common stock was \$21.52 per share, and the closing price of Colony NorthStar's class A common stock (as successor issuer of NSAM under Rule 12g-3(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) was \$15.84 per share.
- 3. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, at the effective time of the Merger, each share of Colony class B common stock converted into the right to receive 1.4663 shares of Colony NorthStar's class B common
- 4. A holder of shares of class B common stock has the right, at the holder's option, to convert all or a portion of such holder's Class B common stock into an equal number of shares of Class A common stock.
- 5. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, each share of Colony series A preferred stock, series B preferred stock and series C preferred converted into the right to receive one share of the Colony NorthStar's 8.50% Series F Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, 7.50% Series G Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock and 7.125% Series H Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Stock, respectively, having preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividend, qualification and terms and conditions of redemption substantially similar to those of the corresponding series of Colony preferred stock.
- 6. Represents acquisitions by an investment vehicle between and managed by (i) an investment fund sponsored and managed by affiliates of Colony NorthStar and beneficially controlled by the reporting

person through the general partner of such investment fund and (ii) a wholly-owned subsidiary of Colony Capital Operating Company, LLC. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these shares in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of all reported shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

7. The operating company units ("OP Units") represent units of membership interests in Colony Capital Operating Company, LLC (the "Operating Company"), of which Colony NorthStar is the managing member. The OP Units have the rights and preferences as set forth in the operating agreement of the Operating Company and are redeemable for shares of Class A Common Stock or cash at the discretion of Colony NorthStar. The OP Units do not have an expiration date.

8. The OP Units are held by limited liability companies controlled by the reporting person.

Remarks:

/s/ David A. Palame, as Attorney-in-fact 01/12/2017

** Signature of Reporting Person

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

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