

QTS Realty Trust, Inc.  
Form 4  
March 08, 2017

**FORM 4**

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

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Williams Chad L.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O QTS REALTY TRUST,  
INC., 12851 FOSTER STREET

(Street)

OVERLAND PARK, KS 66213

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

QTS Realty Trust, Inc. [QTS]

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

03/07/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)

Chief Executive Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ 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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A common stock	03/07/2017		A	47,335 (1)	A \$ 0 208,242	D	

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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)
Employee stock option (right to buy)	\$ 50.66	03/07/2017		A	231,467	(2) 03/07/2027	Class A common stock 231,467

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Williams Chad L. C/O QTS REALTY TRUST, INC. 12851 FOSTER STREET OVERLAND PARK, KS 66213			Chief Executive Officer	

## Signatures

/s/ Timothy J. Kuester,  
Attorney-in-Fact

03/08/2017

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

## 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) These restricted shares were granted under the QTS Realty Trust, Inc. 2013 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan") and vest ratably over three years beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant and each quarter thereafter.
- (2) These options to purchase shares of Class A common stock were granted under the Plan and vest ratably over three years beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant and each quarter thereafter.

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