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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549								3235-0287	
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(Print or Type R	lesponses)								
1. Name and Ad DUPREE DA	Symbol	er Name and T		-	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
		COMN	IUNITIES	INC [AF	PTS]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (M	(Month/	. Date of Earliest Transaction Month/Day/Year) 11/03/2017			X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)			
COMMUNI	TIES, INC., 3284 E PARKWAY N		2017			Chief]	investment Offi	cer	
	(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
ATLANTA,	GA 30327						More than One R		
(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Tak	ole I - Non-De	erivative S	ecurities Ac	equired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
(Instr. 3) any		Execution Date, it	Code	TransactionAcquiredCodeDisposed		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)	
Common Stock, par			Code V	Amount	(D) Price	(instr. 5 and 4) 43,997	D		
value \$0.01 Common Stock, par value \$0.01						43,265 <u>(1)</u>	I	By NELL Partners, Inc.	

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)	Execution Date, if any	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. Pr Deri Secu
(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					(Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Class A Units (2) (3)	(2) (3)	01/03/2017(2)(3)		А	52,451	(2)(3)	(2)(3)	Common Stock	52,451	5

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships					
		Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
DUPREE DANIEL M PREFERRED APARTMENT COMMUNITH 3284 NORTHSIDE PARKWAY NW, SUITH ATLANTA, GA 30327		X		Chief Investment Officer			
Signatures							
/s/ Jeffrey R. Sprain, as attorney-in-fact	01/05/2017	7					

<u>**</u>Signature of Reporting Person

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

John A. Williams, Leonard A. Silverstein and Daniel M. DuPree share joint voting and investment power over the shares held by NELL Partners, Inc. Mr. DuPree disclaims any economic interest in 36,775 of such shares, 69.4% of which are owned indirectly by the Nancy

- (1) Ann Richardson Williams Children's Trust, formed on January 30, 1995, a trust created by Mr. Williams' spouse for the benefit of their children, and 30.5% of which are owned indirectly by Northside Partners Trust, formed on November 2, 2009, a trust created by Mr. Silverstein's spouse for the benefit of their children.
- (2) Represents Class A Units ("Class A Unit") of Preferred Apartment Communities Operating Partnership, L.P. (the "Operating Partnership"), of which Preferred Apartment Communities, Inc. (the "Company") is the general partner. On January 4, 2016, the reporting person was awarded a maximum of 52,451 Class B Units of the Operating Partnership ("Class B Units") issued in lieu of any reimbursement for annual cash compensation for 2016, subject to certain performance conditions. When earned and vested, each Class B

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Unit is converted into a Class A Unit. Each Class A Unit may be exchanged for one share of the Company's common stock, or cash, as selected by the Company. Class A Units do not expire.

As of January 3, 2017, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company determined that the extent to which the
(3) performance measures had been achieved during the performance period resulted in 100%, or 52,451 of the Class B Units becoming earned Class B Units. All of the earned Class B Units fully vested on January 3, 2017 and were converted into Class A Units on that date.

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