# **UNITED STATES** SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# Form S-11 FOR REGISTRATION

**UNDER** THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 OF SECURITIES OF CERTAIN REAL ESTATE COMPANIES

# ORCHID ISLAND CAPITAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its governing instruments)

3305 Flamingo Drive, Vero Beach Florida 32963 (772) 231-1400 (Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

> Robert E. Cauley **Chairman and Chief Executive Officer** Orchid Island Capital, Inc. 3305 Flamingo Drive, Vero Beach, Florida 32963 (772) 231-1400

(Name, address, including zip code and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

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Approximate date of co	mmencement of proposed sale to the public: A	As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Registration Statement.
If any of the Securities be the following box. $\Box$	eing registered on this Form are to be offered on	a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act, check
	-	nt to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the tration statement for the same offering. ⊠ 333-192933
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If delivery of the prospec	tus is expected to be made pursuant to Rule 434	, check the following box. $\square$
-		an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the porting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.
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## **CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

Title of Securities Being Registered	Number of Shares Being Registered(1)	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Share(2)	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price	Amount of Registration Fee(3)
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share	345,000	\$13.59	\$4,688,550	\$604

- (1) The Registrant previously registered 1,725,000 shares of its common stock for a proposed maximum offering price of \$23,442,750 on a Registration Statement on Form S-11 (File No. 333-192933), as amended, for which a filing fee of \$3,020 was paid.
- (2) The proposed maximum offering price per share with respect to the 345,000 shares being registered pursuant to this registration statement is \$13.59, estimated solely for the purpose of computing the registration fee, pursuant to Rule 457(a) under the Securities Act, and, in accordance with Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act, based on the average of the high and low reported sales price of our common stock on the NYSE MKT on January 10, 2014.
- (3) The Registrant previously paid these fees in connection with the initial filing of the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-11 (File No. 333-192933) to which this Registration Statement relates.

## **Explanatory Note**

This registration statement is being filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) ("Rule 462(b)") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and General Instruction G of Form S-11, and includes the registration statement facing page, this page, the signature page, an exhibit index, opinions of counsel and the accountant's consent. Pursuant to Rule 462(b), the contents of our registration statement on Form S-11, as amended (File No. 333-192933), including the exhibits thereto, which was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 16, 2014 (the "Initial Registration Statement"), are incorporated by reference into this registration statement. This registration statement covers the registration of an additional 345,000 shares of our common stock for sale in the offering related to the Initial Registration Statement.

### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that the registrant meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-11 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Vero Beach, in the State of Florida, on this 16th day of January, 2014.

ORCHID ISLAND CAPITAL, INC.

By: /s/ ROBERT E. CAULEY

Name: Robert E. Cauley

Title Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Director

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on the 16th day of January, 2014.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
/s/ ROBERT E. CAULEY Robert E. Cauley	Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	January 16, 2014
/s/ G. HUNTER HAAS, IV G. Hunter Haas, IV	Chief Financial Officer and Director (Principal Financial Officer)	January 16, 2014
/s/ JERRY SINTES Jerry Sintes	Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)	January 16, 2014
*	Independent Director	January 16, 2014
W Coleman Bitting		
*	Independent Director	January 16, 2014
John B. Van Heuvelen		
*	Independent Director	January 16, 2014
Frank P. Filipps		
*	Independent Director	January 16, 2014
Ava L. Parker	· ·	

\* By: /s/ ROBERT E. CAULEY

Robert E. Cauley As Attorney-in-Fact

## EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	<u>Description</u>
5.1	Opinion of Venable LLP as to the legality of the securities being registered
8.1	Opinion of Hunton & Williams LLP as to certain U.S. federal income tax matters to be filed by amendment
23.1	Consent of BDO USA, LLP
23.2	Consent of Venable LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1)
23.3	Consent of Hunton & Williams LLP (included in exhibit 8.1)
24.1	Power of Attorney (included on signature page)





January 16, 2014

Orchid Island Capital, Inc. 3305 Flamingo Drive Vero Beach, Florida 32963

Re: Rule 462(b) Registration Statement Relating to

Registration Statement on Form S-11 (File No. 333-192933)

### Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have served as Maryland counsel to Orchid Island Capital, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "Company"), in connection with certain matters of Maryland law relating to the registration and issuance by the Company of up to 345,000 shares (the "Shares") of common stock, \$0.01 par value per share, of the Company. The Shares are covered by the above-referenced Registration Statement, and all amendments relating thereto (the "Registration Statement"), filed by the Company with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the

In connection with our representation of the Company, and as a basis for the opinion hereinafter set forth, we have examined originals, or copies certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction, of the following documents (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Documents"):

- 1. The Registration Statement in the form in which it was transmitted to the Commission under the 1933 Act;
- 2. The charter of the Company (the "Charter"), certified by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland (the "SDAT");
- 3. The Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Company, certified as of the date hereof by an officer of the Company;
- 4. A certificate of the SDAT as to the good standing of the Company, dated as of a recent date;
- 5. Resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Board") relating to, among other matters, the authorization of the sale, issuance and registration of the Shares (the "Resolutions"), certified as of the date hereof by an officer of the Company;
  - 6. A certificate executed by an officer of the Company, dated as of the date hereof; and

7. Such other documents and matters as we have deemed necessary or appropriate to express the opinion set forth below, subject to the assumptions, limitations and qualifications stated herein.

In expressing the opinion set forth below, we have assumed the following:

- 1. Each individual executing any of the Documents, whether on behalf of such individual or another person, is legally competent to do so.
- 2. Each individual executing any of the Documents on behalf of a party (other than the Company) is duly authorized to do so.
- 3. Each of the parties (other than the Company) executing any of the Documents has duly and validly executed and delivered each of the Documents to which such party is a signatory, and such party's obligations set forth therein are legal, valid and binding and are enforceable in accordance with all stated terms.
- 4. All Documents submitted to us as originals are authentic. The form and content of all Documents submitted to us as unexecuted drafts do not differ in any respect relevant to this opinion from the form and content of such Documents as executed and delivered. All Documents submitted to us as certified or photostatic copies conform to the original documents. All signatures on all Documents are genuine. All public records reviewed or relied upon by us or on our behalf are true and complete. All representations, warranties, statements and information contained in the Documents are true and complete. There has been no oral or written modification of or amendment to any of the Documents, and there has been no waiver of any provision of any of the Documents, by action or omission of the parties or otherwise.
- 5. Prior to the issuance of the Shares, the Board or a duly authorized committee thereof will determine the number, and certain terms of issuance, of the Shares in accordance with the Resolutions (the "Corporate Proceedings").
  - 6. The Shares will not be issued or transferred in violation of the restrictions on transfer and ownership contained in Article VII of the Charter.

Based upon the foregoing, and subject to the assumptions, limitations and qualifications stated herein, it is our opinion that:

1. The Company is a corporation duly incorporated and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Maryland and is in good standing with the SDAT.

2. The issuance of the Shares has been duly authorized and, when issued and delivered by the Company in accordance with the Resolutions, the Corporate Proceedings and the Registration Statement against payment of the consideration set forth therein, the Shares will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

The foregoing opinion is limited to the laws of the State of Maryland and we do not express any opinion herein concerning any other law. We express no opinion as to the applicability or effect of federal or state securities laws, including the securities laws of the State of Maryland, or as to federal or state laws regarding fraudulent transfers. To the extent that any matter as to which our opinion is expressed herein would be governed by the laws of any jurisdiction other than the State of Maryland, we do not express any opinion on such matter. The opinion expressed herein is subject to the effect of any judicial decision which may permit the introduction of parol evidence to modify the terms or the interpretation of agreements.

The opinion expressed herein is limited to the matters specifically set forth herein and no other opinion shall be inferred beyond the matters expressly stated. We assume no obligation to supplement this opinion if any applicable law changes after the date hereof or if we become aware of any fact that might change the opinion expressed herein after the date hereof.

This opinion is being furnished to you for submission to the Commission as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the use of the name of our firm therein. In giving this consent, we do not admit that we are within the category of persons whose consent is required by Section 7 of the 1933 Act.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Venable LLP

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## Orchid Island Capital, Inc. Qualification as Real Estate Investment Trust

## Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel to Orchid Island Capital, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the preparation of a Registration Statement on Form S-11 (File No. 333-192933) (the "Registration Statement"), including a prospectus and all documents incorporated by reference therein (the "Prospectus"), filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 18, 2013, as amended on January 13, 2014 and January 15, 2014, and a Rule 462(b) registration statement on Form S-11 in connection therewith, filed on the date hereof (the "Rule 462(b) Registration Statement"), with respect to the offer and sale of up to 2,070,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01, of the Company (the "Offering"). You have requested our opinion regarding certain U.S. federal income tax matters in connection with the Offering.

In giving this opinion letter, we have examined the following:

- 1. the Registration Statement, the Rule 462(b) Registration Statement, and the Prospectus filed as a part of the Registration Statement and incorporated by reference into the Rule 462(b) Registration Statement;
- 2. the Company's Articles of Incorporation filed on August 17, 2010 with the Department of Assessments and Taxation of the State of Maryland (the "SDAT"), and the Articles of Amendment and Restatement filed on February 20, 2013 with SDAT;
- 3. the Company's Amended and Restated Bylaws;

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- 4. the Officer's Certificates (as defined below);
- 5. the Management Agreement, by and among the Company and Bimini Advisors LLC, a Maryland limited liability company; and
- 6. such other documents as we have deemed necessary or appropriate for purposes of this opinion.

In connection with the opinions rendered below, we have assumed, with your consent, that:

- 1. each of the documents referred to above has been duly authorized, executed, and delivered; is authentic, if an original, or is accurate, if a copy; and has not been amended;
- 2. during its taxable year ending December 31, 2014, and future taxable years, the Company will operate in a manner that will make the factual representations contained in a certificate, dated the date hereof and executed by a duly appointed officer of the Company (the "Company Officer's Certificate"), true for such years;
- 3. the Company will not make any amendments to its organizational documents after the date of this opinion that would affect its qualification as a REIT (as defined below) for any taxable year; and
- 4. no action will be taken by the Company or Bimini Capital Management, Inc., a Maryland corporation ("Bimini"), after the date hereof that would have the effect of altering the facts upon which the opinions set forth below are based.

In connection with the opinions rendered below, we also have relied upon the correctness of the factual representations contained in the Company's Officer's Certificate and a certificate, dated the date hereof and executed by a duly appointed officer of Bimini (together with the Company's Officer's Certificate, the "Officer's Certificates"). No facts have come to our attention that would cause us to question the accuracy and completeness of such factual representations. Furthermore, where such factual representations involve terms defined in the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), the Treasury regulations thereunder (the "Regulations"), published rulings of the Internal Revenue Service (the "Service"), or other relevant authority, we have explained to the individuals making such representations the relevant provisions of the Code, the applicable Regulations and published administrative interpretations thereof.

Based solely on the documents and assumptions set forth above, the representations set forth in the Officer's Certificates, and the factual matters discussed in the Prospectus under the caption "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations" (which are incorporated herein by reference), we are of the opinion that:

- (a) the Company qualified to be taxed as a real estate investment trust pursuant to sections 856 through 860 of the Code (a "REIT") for its taxable year ended December 31, 2013, and the Company's organization and current and proposed method of operation will enable it to continue to qualify for taxation as a REIT for its taxable year ending December 31, 2014 and thereafter; and
- (b) the descriptions of the law and the legal conclusions contained in the Prospectus under the caption "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations" are correct in all material respects.

We will not review on a continuing basis the Company's or Bimini's compliance with the documents or assumptions set forth above, or the representations set forth in the Officer's Certificates. Accordingly, no assurance can be given that the actual results of the Company's operations for any given taxable year will satisfy the requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT. Although we have made such inquiries and performed such investigations as we have deemed necessary to fulfill our professional responsibilities as counsel, we have not undertaken an independent investigation of all of the facts referred to in this letter or the Officer's Certificates.

The foregoing opinions are based on current provisions of the Code, the Regulations, published administrative interpretations thereof, and published court decisions. The Service has not issued Regulations or administrative interpretations with respect to various provisions of the Code relating to REIT qualification. No assurance can be given that the law will not change in a way that will prevent the Company from qualifying as a REIT.

The foregoing opinions are limited to the U.S. federal income tax matters addressed herein, and no other opinions are rendered with respect to other U.S. federal tax matters or to any issues arising under the tax laws of any other country, or any state or locality. We undertake no obligation to update the opinions expressed herein after the date of this letter. This opinion letter speaks only as of the date hereof. Except as provided in the next paragraph, this opinion letter may not be distributed, quoted in whole or in part or otherwise reproduced in any document, or filed with any governmental agency without our express written consent.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement the Rule 462(b) Registration Statement. We also consent to the references to Hunton & Williams LLP under the captions "Prospectus Summary—Tax Structure," "Business—Tax Structure," "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations" and "Legal Matters" in the Prospectus. In giving this consent, we do not admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required by Section 7 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Hunton & Williams LLP

## Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Orchid Island Capital, Inc. Vero Beach, Florida

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, of the reference to us under the caption "Experts", and of our report dated March 22, 2013, relating to the financial statements of Orchid Island Capital, Inc., appearing in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement on Form S-11 (No. 333-192933), as amended.

/s/ BDO USA, LLP West Palm Beach, Florida

January 16, 2014