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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Cauley Robert E</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Orchid Island Capital, Inc. [ORC]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O BIMINI CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, INC. 3305 FLAMINGO DRIVE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/18/2016						X	Director Officer (giv	er ecify						
(Street) VERO BEACH FL 32963 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						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	-Deriv	ative	Securities	Acq	quired,	Dis	osed o	f, or Be	nefic	ially Ow	ned					
Date				2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Disposed Code (Instr.		ities Acquired (A) or d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Following Re	Owned eported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Direct In Indirect B	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or	Price	Transaction((Instr. 3 and			("	nstr. 4)	
Common S	tock			03/18	8/2016		A		14,712	2 ⁽¹⁾ A		\$10 ⁽¹⁾	26,908]	D			
Common Stock 03/18					/2016			F	5,625 ⁽²⁾ D		\$10 ⁽²⁾	21,283		D					
			Table II - I			ecurities <i>l</i> alls, warra								ed		,	,		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		•	7. Title and Amor Securities Under Derivative Secur 3 and 4)		erlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	ve ies ially ng	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Title		ount or ober of res		Transac (Instr. 4	tion(s)			
Performance Units	(4)	03/18/2016		A		21,037.5 ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		03/31/20	17 (06/30/2019	Common	21,	037.5(3)(4)	\$10 ⁽³⁾	25,16	6.5 ⁽³⁾	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Shares of the Company's common stock issued under the 2012 Long Term Incentive Compensation Plan and the 2015 Long-Term Equity Incentive Compensation Plan. The price is based on the market closing price on
- 2. The Reporting Person disposed of these shares of the Company's common stock to the Issuer to satisfy the Reporting Person's tax withholding obligations in connection with the grant of shares that occurred on March 18, 2016.
- 3. Performance units issued under the 2012 Long Term Incentive Compensation Plan and the 2015 Long-Term Equity Incentive Compensation Plan. The price is based on the market closing price on March 11, 2016. The performance units are earned at the rate of 10% per quarter commencing with the quarter ending March 31, 2017 and concluding with the quarter ending June 30, 2018.
- 4. Each performance unit shall be settled by the issuance of one share of the Company's common stock, at which time the performance unit shall be cancelled. Each performance unit is subject to adjustment as set forth in a performance unit award agreement by and between the Issuer and the Reporting Person.

03/21/2016 /s/ Robert E. Cauley

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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