Instruction 1(b)

# FORM 4

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Ross Mason G					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  MACERICH CO [ MAC ]											ip of Reporting Person(s) to plicable) ctor 10%		n(s) to Is		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 401 WILSHIRE BLVD., SUITE 700						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/03/2017									Officer (give title below)				Other (specify below)	
(Street) SANTA MONICA			00401		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									. Indivine)	'				
(City)	(City) (State) (Zip)  Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D					action Day/Yea	ay/Year)  2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			3. Transa Code ( 8)	ction Instr.	4. Securities A Disposed Of (D 5)		cquired O) (Instr. (A) or (D)	(A) or . 3, 4 and Price		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		6. Own Form: I (D) or I (I) (Inst	Direct ndirect r. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common	Common Stock  03/03/2017  A 1,877(1)  A \$0 14,051(2)(3)  D  Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	e (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/D		Date, ny/Year) _	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D	n Date	Amount of Securitie Underlying Derivative Security and 4)		ount of urities lerlying lyative urity (In: 4)  Ame or Nun of	ount nber			9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ow For Dire or I (I) (	nership	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Represents the reporting person's annual equity award for service on the Board of Directors which was paid in the form of restricted stock units that vest in one year and was granted on the date designated by the Compensation Committee for all annual employee and director bonuses and awards consistent with past practice.
- 2. Under The Macerich Company 2003 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2003 Plan"), a director may elect to have his or her account credited with dividend equivalents on the director's deferred restricted stock units when the Company pays cash dividends on its common stock, and to have such dividend equivalents denominated in additional stock units based on the fair market value of the Company's common stock on the applicable dividend payment date. Includes 120 previously unreported stock units that have been credited as dividend equivalents under the deferral feature of the 2003 Plan.
- 3. In addition, the reporting person holds 10,009 stock units under the Company's Director Phantom Stock Plan, which units are convertible for an equal number of shares of The Macerich Company's common stock.

Thomas J. Leanse for MASON G. ROSS

03/07/2017

\*\* 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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## SECTION 16 REPORTS

## CONFIRMING STATEMENT

This statement confirms that the undersigned, Mason G. Ross, has authorized and designated THOMAS J. LEANSE and/or LISA PENA (the "Agents") to execute and file on the undersigned's behalf all Forms 4 and 5 (including any amendments thereto) that the undersigned may be required to file with the U. S. Securities and Exchange Commission as a result of the undersigned's ownership of or transactions in securities of THE MACERICH COMPANY (the "Corporation"). The authority of the Agents under this Statement shall continue until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 4 and 5 with regard to the undersigned's ownership of or transactions in securities of the Corporation, unless earlier revoked in writing. The undersigned acknowledges that the Agents are not assuming any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Date: April 20, 2016 Signature: /s/ Mason G. Ross

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Mason G. Ross