

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Cauley Robert E</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 3305 FLAMINGO DRIVE (Street) VERO BEACH FL 32963 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Orchid Island Capital, Inc. [ORC]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Chief Executive Officer
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/26/2025	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	12/26/2025		M		3,694 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$0	148,248	D	
Common Stock	12/26/2025		F		753 ⁽²⁾	D	\$7.35 ⁽³⁾	147,495	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	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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Performance Units	(1)	12/26/2025		M			3,694.18	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	3,694.18	\$0	12,492.74	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- These shares represent 2,418 shares of the Company's common stock issued upon the vesting of Performance Units awarded to the Reporting Person on April 13, 2023 pursuant to the Issuer's 2021 Equity Incentive Plan and 2022 Long Term Equity Incentive Compensation Plan, and 1,276 shares of the Company's common stock issued upon the vesting of Performance Units awarded to the Reporting Person on March 19, 2024 pursuant to the Issuer's 2021 Equity Incentive Plan and 2023 Long Term Equity Incentive Compensation Plan. Cash was paid in lieu of issuing fractional shares based on the closing price of the Company's common stock on December 24, 2025.
- 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 vesting of shares.
- This price represents the closing price of the Issuer's common stock on December 24, 2025.

/s/ Robert E. Cauley

12/29/2025

** 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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