COLAVITA ANTHONY J

Form 4

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * COLAVITA ANTHONY J

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

below)

Symbol

GABELLI EQUITY TRUST INC [GAB]

(Check all applicable)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year)

12/21/2017

ONE CORPORATE CENTER

(Middle)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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Person

RYE, NY 10580

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount (D)

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial (D) or Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Common

Stock, Par 12/21/2017 Value

J(1)463

3,703

By Spouse

(9-02)

\$0.001

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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)			ate	7. Title Amoun Under	nt of lying ities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene
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					of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(Instr
					4, and 3)				Amount		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
COLAVITA ANTHONY J ONE CORPORATE CENTER RYE, NY 10580	X						

Signatures

Bruce N. Alpert as Attorney-in-Fact for Anthony J. Colavita 12/21/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) The reporting person acquired these common shares through the exercise of common share purchase rights.

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