

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* ZAGUNIS HAROLD F		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol REDWOOD TRUST INC [RWT]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) _____ Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ 10% Owner _____ Other (specify below) Managing Director	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/10/2008		
1 BELVEDERE PLACE, SUITE 300					
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
MILL VALLEY, CA 94941					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			

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)

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 Underlying Securities (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 of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Stock Units in Deferred Compensation Plan	\$ 13.94	12/10/2008		A		56,500		(1)	(2)	Common Stock	\$ 0	56,500	D	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ZAGUNIS HAROLD F 1 BELVEDERE PLACE SUITE 300 MILL VALLEY, CA 94941			Managing Director	

Signatures

Harold F. Zagunis	12/11/2008
<small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>	<small>Date</small>

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) 25% vests 1/1/2010, 6.25% every quarter thereafter. Fully vested 1/1/2013.
- (2) No expiration.

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