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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 *- Isbrandtsen John				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol REDWOOD TRUST INC [RWT]					5. Re	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle)  1 BELVEDERE PLACE, SUITE 300  (Street)  MILL VALLEY, CA 94941				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/07/2011					X	X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  Managing Director					
			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					_X_ F	6. Individual or Joint/Group FilingCheck Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting PersonForm filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)		(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqui					s Acquired,	dred, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned					
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. 3. Transaction Or Exercise Price of Derivative Security 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Y		3A. Deemed Execution Date	4. Transaction Code Year) (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		e and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) S			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		
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## **Reporting Owners**

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Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Isbrandtsen John 1 BELVEDERE PLACE SUITE 300 MILL VALLEY, CA 94941			Managing Director			

## **Signatures**

Attorney-in-Fact: Andrew P. Stone	12/08/2011
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) This transaction relates to the grant of Deferred Stock Units.

- (2) Represents grant date fair value of the DSUs issued, based on the fair market value of RWT common stock on the transaction date under the 2002 Incentive Plan.
- (3) 25% vests 1/1/2013, 6.25% every quarter thereafter. Fully vested 1/1/2016.
- (4) No expiration date is applicable to Deferred Stock Units.

This transaction relates to the grant of Performance Stock Units ("PSUs"), which are performance-based equity awards. The number of underlying shares of common stock of Redwood Trust, Inc. ("Common Stock") that vest and that the recipient becomes entitled to receive at the time of vesting will generally range from 0% to 200% of a target number of PSUs granted,

- (5) contingent on the achievement of a pre-established performance metric (with the target number of PSUs granted being adjusted to reflect the value of any dividends on Common Stock paid during the vesting period). Vesting of these PSUs will generally occur at the end of three years (on December 6, 2014) based on three-year total stockholder return. Please refer to Item 5.02(e) of the Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 8, 2011 by Redwood Trust, Inc. for a description of the terms of these PSUs, which Item 5.02(e) qualifies, in its entirety, the description set forth in this footnote (5) and footnote (7) below.
- (6) Represents grant date fair value of the PSUs issued, based on the fair market value of RWT common stock on the transaction date under the 2002 Incentive Plan.
- (7) Represents the target number of PSUs granted.
- (8) Shares are subject to minimum mandatory holding period and will be delivered to the Participant no sooner than May 1, 2015.
- (9) No expiration date is applicable to performance stock units.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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