

FEDERAL REALTY INVESTMENT TRUST  
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**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 \*  
**WOOD DONALD C**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**FEDERAL REALTY INVESTMENT TRUST [FRT]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**1626 EAST JEFFERSON STREET**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**02/17/2009**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 Trustee, President and CEO

**ROCKVILLE, MD 20852**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common shares of beneficial interest	02/17/2009		A		27,668	A	\$ 0
					273,073 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	

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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount Number Shares
Employee stock option (right to buy)	\$ 43.48	02/17/2009		A	144,788	<u>(2)</u> 02/17/2019	Common shares of beneficial interest 144,788

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WOOD DONALD C 1626 EAST JEFFERSON STREET ROCKVILLE, MD 20852	X		Trustee, President and CEO	

## Signatures

Dawn M. Becker, by power of attorney  
02/18/2009  
\*\*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) Shares owned indirectly by wife: 9,437.
- (2) Options vest equally over five years with 1/5 vesting on each of 2/17/2010, 2/17/2011, 2/17/2012, 2/17/2013 and 2/17/2014.
- (3) Mr. Wood currently holds a total of 467,946 options.

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