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## FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BULL GEORGE			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol REDWOOD TRUST INC [RWT]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(Last) (First) (Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
ONE BELVEDERE PLACE, STE 300		CE, STE	(Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2009	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) CEO		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
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(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acc	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction(A) or Disp Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 a				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)
Common Stock	01/02/2009		M	94,932	A	\$ 0 (1)	426,677	I	by Trust
Common Stock							200	I	by Spouse - IRA
Common Stock							400	I	by Spouse
Common Stock							11,200	I	by IRA
Common Stock							12,683	D	

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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. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amo Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An Nu Sha
Stock Units in Deferred Compensation Plan	\$ 14.91 (2)	01/02/2009		M(1)	94,932	01/02/2009	(3)	Common Stock	Ò
Stock Units in Deferred Compensation Plan	\$ 14.91 (2)	01/02/2009		F(4)	58,368.99	01/02/2009	(3)	Common Stock	58

#### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Toporting of more remote requirement	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
BULL GEORGE ONE BELVEDERE PLACE STE 300 MILL VALLEY, CA 94941	X		CEO			

## **Signatures**

/s/ George Bull 01/05/2009

\*\*Signature of 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 acquisition or disposition transaction relates to the distribution and/or conversion of Deferred Stock Units in the Executive Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (2) Represents fair market value of RWT common stock on 1/2/09 for purposes of the Executive Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (3) No expiration.

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(4) This disposition transaction represents a Compensation Committee approved withholding of securities incident to the payment of tax liability relating to the distribution and/or conversion of Deferred Stock Units in the Executive Deferred Compensation Plan.

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