SCOTT W DAVID

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

SCOTT W DAVID

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

INVESTORS REAL ESTATE TRUST [IRET]

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/12/2009

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

C/O INVESTORS REAL ESTATE TRUST, 12 SOUTH MAIN STREET

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

MINOT, ND 58701

(City) (Zip) (State)

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

1.1itle of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities Acquired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	/. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on(A) or Disposed of	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(D)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
					Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
				(A)	Reported		
				(A)	T(-)		

Transaction(s) or

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common

Interest

Shares of Beneficial

01/12/2009

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37,218.729

D

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exer		7. Title		8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	Secur
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ties	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Own
	Security				Acquired						Follo
					(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	*	Title Nun	Number		
						Excicisable	Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SCOTT W DAVID C/O INVESTORS REAL ESTATE TRUST 12 SOUTH MAIN STREET MINOT, ND 58701

X

Signatures

Michelle R. Saari, Attorney-in-Fact

01/13/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person

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