

INDEPENDENCE REALTY TRUST, INC
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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 *
 SCHAEFFER SCOTT

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 INDEPENDENCE REALTY TRUST, INC [IRT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O INDEPENDENCE REALTY TRUST, INC., 2929 ARCH ST., 17TH FL.

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/23/2016

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Chairman & CEO

(Street)
 PHILADELPHIA, PA 19104

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

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)
				(A) or (D)	Amount	Price			
Common Stock	02/23/2016 ⁽¹⁾		F ⁽¹⁾	V	2,933	D \$ 6.8	86,067	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2016 ⁽²⁾		F ⁽²⁾		1,173	D \$ 6.81	84,894	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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SCHAEFFER SCOTT C/O INDEPENDENCE REALTY TRUST, INC. 2929 ARCH ST., 17TH FL. PHILADELPHIA, PA 19104	X		Chairman & CEO	

Signatures

/s/ Anders F. Laren, attorney-in-fact 02/25/2016

__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).
 This forfeiture was undertaken solely to satisfy a tax withholding liability relating to the vesting of restricted stock held by the reporting person. The reporting person made the withholding election on February 23, 2016 with respect to restricted stock that vested on February 18, 2016.
- (2) This forfeiture was undertaken solely to satisfy a tax withholding liability relating to the vesting of restricted stock held by the reporting person. The reporting person made the withholding election on February 23, 2016 with respect to restricted stock that vested on January 31, 2016.

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