

GENERAL AMERICAN INVESTORS CO INC  
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**FORM 4**

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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, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Priest Jeffrey W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 GENERAL AMERICAN INVESTORS CO INC [GAM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 President & CEO

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 GENERAL AMERICAN INVESTORS COMPANY, INC., 100 PARK AVENUE - 35TH FLOOR

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 10/14/2014

(Street)  
 NEW YORK, NY 10017

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	10/14/2014		P		3,000 A \$ 34.8176	41,359 <sup>(1)</sup>	D
Common Stock	10/14/2014		P		150 A \$ 34.813	11,623 <sup>(2)</sup>	I By Parent <sup>(4)</sup>
Common Stock	10/14/2014		P		550 A \$ 34.813	26,026 <sup>(3)</sup>	I By Power of Attorney <sup>(4)</sup>

Common Stock		6,370 <sup>(5)</sup>	I	By Thrift Plan Trust <sup>(6)</sup>
5.95% Preferred Stock		1,739	I	By Parent <sup>(4)</sup>
5.95% Preferred Stock		13,121	I	By Power of Attorney <sup>(4)</sup>

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 Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 6)
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Priest Jeffrey W GENERAL AMERICAN INVESTORS COMPANY, INC. 100 PARK AVENUE - 35TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017			President & CEO	

## Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey W. Priest                      10/15/2014

\_\_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) Amount of shares beneficially owned adjusted on this filing for 2,518 shares received as payment of 2013 dividends as reported on Form 5 filed on 2/13/2014.
- (2) Amount of shares beneficially owned adjusted on this filing for 298 shares received as payment of 2013 dividends as reported on Form 5 filed on 2/13/2014.
- (3) Amount of shares beneficially owned adjusted on this filing for 1,270 shares received as payment for 2013 dividends as reported on Form 5 filed on 2/13/2014.
- (4) Mr. Priest has voting and dispositive power and disclaims any beneficial interest.
- (5) Amount of shares beneficially owned adjusted on this filing for 2,212 shares received as payment of 2013 dividends as reported on Form 5 on 2/13/2014.
- (6) By Issuer's Employee Thrift Plan Trust. The undersigned disclaims any beneficial interest in these shares.

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