

WENTZ THOMAS A JR  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**WENTZ THOMAS A JR**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**INVESTORS REAL ESTATE TRUST [IRET]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1400 31ST AVENUE SW, SUITE 60  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 06/26/2012

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 SVP & COO

MINOT, ND 58701

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	06/26/2012		A		8,219 <u>(1)</u>	A	\$ 0
Common Shares of Beneficial Interest					10,364.942	I	Held by spouse
Common Shares of Beneficial Interest					220,692.12	I	Held by Partnership <u>(2)</u>

Interest

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 (Instr. 6)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WENTZ THOMAS A JR 1400 31ST AVENUE SW, SUITE 60 MINOT, ND 58701	X		SVP & COO	

## Signatures

Lindsey Knoop Anderson,  
Attorney-in-Fact  
Date: 06/28/2012

\*\*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) Grant of stock bonus exempt under Rule 16b-3; awarded pursuant to 2008 Incentive Award Plan of IRET and IRET Properties.
- (2) Shares owned by a partnership of which Mr. Wentz is the general partner; Mr. Wentz disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest in the partnership.

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