

INVESTORS REAL ESTATE TRUST
 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 *
 MILLER JEFFREY L

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)
 C/O INVESTORS REAL ESTATE TRUST, 1400 31ST AVENUE SW, SUITE 60

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 09/16/2016

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Chair of the Board

(Street)
 MINOT, ND 58702

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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) | Price | | |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 09/16/2016 | | P | 200 | A \$ 5.825 | 288,096.288 | D |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 09/16/2016 | | P | 2,986 | A \$ 5.84 | 291,082.288 | D |
| Common Shares of | 09/16/2016 | | P | 2,814 | A \$ 5.83 | 293,896.288 | D |

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Beneficial Interest

| | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|---|--|
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 158,357.478 | I | Held by Peggy M. Miller Revocable Trust ⁽¹⁾ |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 85,833 | I | Held by K&J Miller Holdings LLP ⁽²⁾ |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 26,972 | I | Held by Miller Properties LLP ⁽²⁾ |

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 Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| MILLER JEFFREY L C/O INVESTORS REAL ESTATE TRUST 1400 31ST AVENUE SW, SUITE 60 | X | | Chair of the Board | |

MINOT, ND 58702

Signatures

/s/ Joy S. Newborg,
Attorney-in-Fact

09/19/2016

__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).
- (1) Spouse.
 - (2) Family Partnership.

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