

ROYCE FOCUS TRUST INC  
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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 \*  
**GEORGE W WHITNEY**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**ROYCE FOCUS TRUST INC [FUND]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**02/20/2009**

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_X\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_X\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_X\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Vice President / VP - Investment Advisor

**ROYCE & ASSOCIATES, LLC, 1414 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS**

(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 Person

**NEW YORK, NY 10019**

(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 Stock	02/20/2009		P	A	\$ 3,443 3,9997	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2009		P	A	\$ 39,175 3.973	D	
Common Stock					643,774	I	Held by wife
Common Stock					220,550	I	Held by sons

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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 Beneficially (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GEORGE W WHITNEY ROYCE & ASSOCIATES, LLC 1414 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10019		X	Vice President	VP - Investment Advisor

## Signatures

W. Whitney  
George                                  02/23/2009

         \*\*Signature of                                  Date  
Reporting Person

## 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).

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