ROYCE FOCUS TRUST INC

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **GEORGE W WHITNEY**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

ROYCE FOCUS TRUST INC

(Check all applicable)

[FUND]

01/05/2009

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

_X__ 10% Owner Director X_ Officer (give title _X_ Other (specify below) below)

Vice President / VP - Investment Advisor

ROYCE & ASSOCIATES. LLC, 1414 AVENUE OF THE

AMERICAS

(City)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

(State)

01/05/2009

(Street)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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NEW YORK, NY 10019

	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)		

(Zip)

4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price

Following

Reported

Code V Amount 893,017 D G 16,080

Common 01/05/2009 Stock

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220,550

Held by sons

Common Stock

Common

Stock

643,774

Held by wife

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)

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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		X	Vice President	VP - Investment Advisor	
NEW YORK, NY 10019					

Signatures

W. Whitney George	01/06/200		
**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) Acquisition of shares gifted by Reporting Person.

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