#### HOREJSI STEWART R

Form 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* ERNEST HOREJSI TRUST NO 1B 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

**BOULDER TOTAL RETURN** FUND INC [BTF]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/11/2008

\_X\_\_ 10% Owner Director Officer (give title \_\_ Other (specify below)

3601 C STREET, STE 600

(Street)

(Ctata)

(Middle)

(7:m)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person \_X\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

ANCHORAGE, AK 99503

(City)	(State) (Z	(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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired ction(A) or Disposed of (D)  8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/11/2008		S	300	D	\$ 9.77	3,214,903	D (1)	
Common Stock	12/11/2008		S	600	D	\$ 9.72	3,214,303	D (1)	
Common Stock	12/11/2008		S	1,100	D	\$ 9.73	3,213,203	D (1)	
Common Stock	12/11/2008		S	1,000	D	\$ 9.7	3,212,203	D (1)	
Common Stock	12/11/2008		S	3,100	D	\$ 9.69	3,209,103 (2)	D (1)	

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerci	isable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration Da	te	Amou	nt of	Derivative
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(ear)	Under Securi (Instr.		Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	(A) (D)		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Topy and The Third The Thi	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
ERNEST HOREJSI TRUST NO 1B 3601 C STREET, STE 600 ANCHORAGE, AK 99503		X					
HOREJSI STEWART R 200 SOUTH SANTA FE SALINA, KS 67401		X					
CICIORA SUSAN L 2344 SPRUCE STREET, STE A BOULDER, CO 80302	X						

# **Signatures**

Douglas J. Blattmachr, President, No. 1B	Alaska Trust Company, trustee of the Ernest Horejsi Trust	12/12/2008
	**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Stewart R. Horejsi		12/12/2008
	**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Susan L. Ciciora		12/12/2008
	**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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## **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).
  - The trustees of the Ernest Horejsi Trust No. 1B (the "Ernest Trust") are Alaska Trust Company ("Alaska Trust"), Susan L. Ciciora and Larry Dunlap. Such trustees may be deemed to control the Ernest Trust and may be deemed to possess indirect beneficial ownership of the Shares held by the Ernest Trust. However, none of the trustees, acting alone, can vote or exercise dispositive authority over Shares
- (1) held by the Ernest Trust. Accordingly, Alaska Trust, Ms. Ciciora and Mr. Dunlap disclaim beneficial ownership of the Shares beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by the Ernest Trust. In addition to serving as a trustee, Ms. Ciciora is also a beneficiary of the Ernest Trust. As a result of his advisory role with the Brown Trust, Stewart R. Horejsi may be deemed to have indirect beneficial ownership of the Shares directly beneficially owned by the Brown Trust. However, Mr. Horejsi disclaims such beneficial ownership of the Shares directly beneficially held by the Ernest Trust.
- Trusts affiliated with the Ernest Trust, including the Lola Brown Trust No. 1B, the John S. Horejsi Trust, the Susan L. Ciciora Trust, the (2) Evergreen Trust, the Stewart West Indies Trust, and Evergreen Atlantic LLC, own an aggregate of 5,179,747 Shares of the Fund following these transactions.

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