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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement INVESTORS REAL ESTATE TRUST [IRET] Schissel John A (Month/Day/Year) 04/19/2016 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 1400 31ST AVENUE, SUITE 60 (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X__ Director 10% Owner _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Officer Other Person MINOT, NDÂ 58701 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security

1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)

Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficia Ownership

Ownership (Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	· ·	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security: Security Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Schissel John A

1400 31ST AVENUE, SUITE 60 X MINOT, NDÂ 58701

Signatures

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

04/21/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

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