

ROYCE FOCUS TRUST INC  
Form 4  
February 23, 2009

**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

OMB APPROVAL

OMB Number: 3235-0287  
Expires: January 31, 2005  
Estimated average burden hours per response... 0.5

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
				(A) or (D)	Price					
			Code	V	Amount					
Common Stock	02/20/2009		P		3,443	A	\$ 3,9997	896,460	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2009		P		39,175	A	\$ 3.973	935,635	D	
Common Stock								643,774	I	Held by wife
Common Stock								220,550	I	Held by sons

