

ROYCE FOCUS TRUST INC
Form SC 13D/A
August 16, 2013

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No. 9)*

Royce Focus Trust, Inc.
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock
(Title of Class of Securities)

78080N108
(CUSIP Number)

W. Whitney George, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10151, (212) 508-4500
(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person
Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

August 9, 2013
(Date of Event which Requires Filing
of this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition which is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of Rule 13d-1(b)(3) or (4), check the following box ☐.

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- 1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON
- W. Whitney George
- 2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a) ☐
(b) ☐
- 3 SEC USE ONLY
- 4 SOURCE OF FUNDS*
- PF
- 5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED
PURSUANT
TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e) ☐
- 6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
- U.S.A.
- | | | |
|--------------|----|--------------------------|
| NUMBER OF | 7 | SOLE VOTING POWER |
| SHARES | | |
| BENEFICIALLY | | 3,883,861 |
| OWNED BY | 8 | SHARED VOTING POWER |
| EACH | | |
| REPORTING | | |
| PERSON | 9 | SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER |
| WITH | | |
| | | 3,883,861 |
| | 10 | SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER |
- 11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH
REPORTING PERSON
- 3,883,861
- 12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES
CERTAIN SHARES* ☐

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13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

17.90%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

IN

* SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT!

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Item 1. Security and Issuer.

The title and class of equity securities to which this statement relates is Common Stock.

The name and address of the principal executive offices of the Issuer are:

Royce Focus Trust, Inc.
745 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10151

Item 2. Identity and Background.

- (a) The name of the person filing this statement is W. Whitney George.
- (b) Mr. George's business address is 745 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10151.
- (c) Mr. George is Co-Chief Investment Officer, Managing Director and Vice President of Royce & Associates, LLC, a registered investment adviser whose clients include the Issuer and other registered investment companies. He is a Director and Vice President of the Issuer and such other investment companies. These companies are located at 745 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10151.
- (d) Not applicable.
- (e) Not applicable.
- (f) Mr. George is a citizen of the United States.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.

This schedule is being filed as a result of Mr. George acquiring a total of 4,523 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock in an open-market transaction effected on August 9, 2013 for an aggregate purchase price of \$32,745.52. Mr. George used his own personal funds to pay for the shares of the Issuer's Common Stock he acquired in this transaction.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

Mr. George purchased the shares of the Issuer's Common Stock as an investment for his own account.

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Item 5. Interest in Securities of Issuer.

(a) Mr. George had sole investment and voting discretion over 3,883,861 shares or 17.90% of the Issuer's outstanding Common Stock as of August 9, 2013.

(b) Mr. George has sole voting and sole dispositive powers as to all of the shares shown in item 5(a) above.

(c) In the 60 days prior to the date of filing of this statement, Mr. George effected the following purchases of the Common Stock of the Issuer, which were effected in the open market and not previously reported on any Schedule 13D filing: (i) 28,092 shares @ \$7.12 on July 11, 2013; (ii) 8,196 shares @ \$7.20 on July 12, 2013; (iii) 13,851 shares @ \$7.18 on July 15, 2013; (iv) 19,512 shares @ \$7.20 on July 16, 2013; (v) 4,009 shares @ \$7.22 on July 17, 2013; (vi) 12,628 shares @ \$7.235 on July 18, 2013; (vii) 25,000 shares @ \$7.25 on July 22, 2013; (viii) 6,600 shares @ \$7.30 on July 23, 2013; (ix) 25,000 shares @ \$7.28 on August 5, 2013; (x) 12,953 shares @ \$7.22 on August 6, 2013; (xi) 25,000 shares @ \$7.22 and 1,249 shares @ \$7.18 on August 7, 2013 and (xii) 4,300 shares @ \$7.22 on August 8, 2013.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships With Respect to Securities of the Issuer.

Not applicable.

Item 7. Materials to be Filed as Exhibits.

Not applicable.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

August 16, 2013
(Date)

/s/ W. Whitney George
(Signature)
W. Whitney George