

GEORGE W WHITNEY  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**SPROTT 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)  
**04/08/2019**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**Senior Portfolio Manager**

**C/O SPROTT ASSET MANAGEMENT USA INC., 1910 PALOMAR POINT WAY, SUITE 200**

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**CARLSBAD, CA 92008**

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/02/2019		G	V 15,570 (4)	D \$ 0	5,615,358 (7)	D
Common Stock	01/02/2019		G	V 5,190 (4)	A \$ 0	127,300 (7)	I Held by Son
Common Stock	04/08/2019		P	10,900	A \$ 7.0285 (5)	1,583,031 (7)	I Held by Spouse
Common	04/09/2019		P	25,000	A \$	1,608,031 (7)	I Held by

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Stock					7.0092 <u>(6)</u>			Spouse	
Common Stock	04/09/2019		P	2,480	A	\$ 7.0123 <u>(6)</u>	5,617,838 <u>(7)</u>	D	
Common Stock							514,492 <u>(7)</u>	I	Held by Trust <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock							347,058 <u>(7)</u>	I	Held by Trust <u>(2)</u>
Common Stock							1,545,377 <u>(7)</u>	I	Held by Foundation <u>(3)</u>

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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Benef Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V (A) (D)		

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GEORGE W WHITNEY C/O SPROTT ASSET MANAGEMENT USA INC. 1910 PALOMAR POINT WAY, SUITE 200 CARLSBAD, CA 92008	X	X		Senior Portfolio Manager

## Signatures

/s/ W. Whitney  
George

04/10/2019

\_\_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) Shares held by a trust established for the benefit of Mr. George's children. As beneficiaries of the trust, Mr. George's children have a pecuniary interest in the trust. Mr. George may be deemed to beneficially own the shares held by the trust.  
  
Shares held by The Mallory Descendant's Trust U/T/A DTD 12/31/2013 (the "Descendant's Trust"). Mr. George serves as trustee of the Descendant's Trust and, in such capacity, has investment and voting discretion over shares held by the Descendant's Trust. As a beneficiary of the Descendant's Trust, Mr. George's spouse has a pecuniary interest in the Descendant's Trust. Mr. George may be deemed to beneficially own the shares held by the Descendant's Trust.
- (2) Shares held by The Meredith and Whitney George Family Foundation (the "Foundation"). Mr. George serves as Chairman of the Foundation and, in such capacity, has investment and voting discretion over shares held by the Foundation.
- (3) Represents transfers as gifts of 5,190 shares to each of Mr. George's three sons, resulting in a cumulative gift transfer of 15,570 shares. Mr. George may be deemed to beneficially own and have a pecuniary interest in the 5,190 shares transferred to the son that resides in Mr. George's household.
- (4) Represents the weighted average purchase price of multiple transactions with a range of prices between \$7.00 and \$7.05. Mr. George hereby undertakes to provide, upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the issuer, or a stockholder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price.
- (5) Represents the weighted average purchase price of multiple transactions with a range of prices between \$7.00 and \$7.02. Mr. George hereby undertakes to provide, upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the issuer, or a stockholder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price.
- (6) Amount of shares beneficially owned includes shares acquired under the Issuer's Dividend Reinvestment Program (the "DRIP"). Shares were last acquired under the DRIP on March 29, 2019.
- (7)

### Remarks:

Mr. George disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and

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