

STERNLICHT BARRY S
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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 *
STERNLICHT BARRY S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
STARWOOD PROPERTY TRUST, INC. [STWD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O STARWOOD PROPERTY TRUST, INC., 591 WEST PUTNAM AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/23/2012

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
CEO, Chairman of Board of Direc

(Street)
GREENWICH, CT 06830

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	05/23/2012		A		70,220	A	\$ 19.76 ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock	05/23/2012		A		30,000	A	\$ 0 ⁽³⁾
Common Stock							230,437

By controlled entities ⁽²⁾
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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. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STERNLICHT BARRY S C/O STARWOOD PROPERTY TRUST, INC. 591 WEST PUTNAM AVENUE GREENWICH, CT 06830	X		CEO, Chairman of Board of Direc	

Signatures

/s/ Barry S. Sternlicht 05/24/2012

__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 of the issuer's common stock granted to SPT Management, LLC (the "Manager") as payment of approximately 50% of the incentive fee as required by the Management Agreement between the issuer and the Manager.
- (2) Represents shares held by the Manager, Starwood Capital Group Global, L.P. ("SCGG") and SFIP, L.P. ("SFIP"). SCGG is the sole member of the Manager. Mr. Sternlicht is the controlling partner of each of SCGG and SFIP.
- (3) Shares of the issuer's common stock granted to the Manager pursuant to the Starwood Property Trust, Inc. Manager Equity Plan.

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