

GEORGE W WHITNEY

Form 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
GEORGE W WHITNEY

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

CARLSBAD, CA 92008

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
**SPROTT FOCUS TRUST INC.
[FUND]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/04/2018

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)

☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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)
Common Stock	01/04/2018		G V	Amount 10,500 (1)	D \$ 0 4,627,478	D	
Common Stock	01/04/2018		G V	3,500 (1)	A \$ 0 108,232	I	Held by Son
Common Stock					1,297,231	I	Held by Spouse
Common Stock					249,426	I	Held by Trust (2)

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Common Stock 92,350 I Held by Trust ⁽³⁾

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 Following Transaction (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GEORGE W WHITNEY
C/O SPOTT ASSET MANAGEMENT USA INC.
1910 PALOMAR POINT WAY, SUITE 200
CARLSBAD, CA 92008

X

X

Senior Portfolio
Manager

Signatures

/s/ W. Whitney
George 01/05/2018

**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).

Represents transfers as gifts of 3,500 shares to each of Mr. George's three sons, resulting in a cumulative gift transfer of 10,500 shares.

- (1) Mr. George may be deemed to beneficially own and have a pecuniary interest in the 3,500 shares transferred to the son that resides in Mr. George's household.

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- (2) 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 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.
- (3) Shares held by The TDM & BBM Trust U/T/A DTD 3/25/2013 (the "B&D Mallory Trust"). Mr. George serves as trustee of the TDM & BBM Trust and, in such capacity, has investment and voting discretion over shares by the B&D Mallory Trust. Mr. George may be deemed to beneficially own the shares held by the B&D Mallory Trust.

Remarks:

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

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