

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) February 7, 2017

Federal Realty Investment Trust

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

1-07533
(Commission
File Number)

52-0782497
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

1626 East Jefferson Street, Rockville, Maryland
(Address of principal executive offices)

20852-4041
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number including area code: 301/998-8100

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

At the February 7, 2017 meeting of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board of Trustees (“Board”), Ms. Kristin Gamble indicated that she did not want to stand for reelection at the 2017 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. Ms. Gamble cited as her reasons the facts that she had served on the Board for nearly twenty-two (22) years and would reach the Board’s retirement age prior to the end of another term.

On February 7, 2017, the Board, upon the recommendation of Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, also appointed Ms. Liz Holland to serve as a member of each of the Compensation Committee and the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee effective as of the Trust’s 2017 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

FEDERAL REALTY INVESTMENT TRUST

Date: February 10, 2017 /s/ Dawn M. Becker

Dawn M. Becker
Executive Vice President-General Counsel and Secretary