SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-A/A

FOR REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SECURITIES PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR 12 (g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

| Federal Realty Investment Trust (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter) | |
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| (State of Incorporation or Organization) | (I.R.S. Employer Identification no.) |
| 1626 East Jefferson Street, Rockville, Maryla | |
| (Address of Principal Executive Offices) | |
| If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12 (b) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A. (c), please check the following box. [x] | If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12 (g) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A. (d), please check the following box.[_] |
| ecurities Act registration statement file number N/A | to which this form relates: |
| If applicable) | |
| ecurities to be registered pursuant to Section 1 | .2 (b) of the Act: |
| | Name of Each Exchange on Which Each Class is to be Registered |
| ommon Shares of Beneficial Interest, \$.01 par va | |
| ecurities to be registered pursuant to Section 1 | .2 (g) of the Act: |
| (none) | |
| (Title of Class) | |

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 1. Description of Registrant's Securities to be Registered.

The information required by Item 1 is set forth under the caption "Comparison of Rights of Shareholders Before and After the Reorganization" in the definitive proxy statement filed by the Registrant pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 on March 29, 1999, as amended on April 12, 1999 and April 23, 1999 (collectively, the "Proxy Statement"), and which description is incorporated herein by this reference and qualified in its entirety by reference to the Registrant's (1) Declaration of Trust and (2) Bylaws, each filed as an exhibit to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K dated May 21, 1999, and (3) Form of Common Share Certificate, filed as an exhibit to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1999.

Item 2. Exhibits.

The following documents are being filed as exhibits to this registration statement.

| Exhibit Number | Description |
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| 1 | Declaration of Trust of Federal Realty Investment Trust dated May 5, 1999 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K dated May 21, 1999) |
| 2 | Bylaws of Federal Realty Investment Trust dated May 5, 1999 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.3 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K dated May 21, 1999) |
| 3 | Form of Common Share Certificate of Federal Realty Investment Trust (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1999) |

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

FEDERAL REALTY INVESTMENT TRUST

Date: March 9, 2001 By: /s/ Nancy J. Herman

Name: Nancy J. Herman

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary