

American Realty Capital Trust, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
October 06, 2009

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

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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):  
October 5, 2009

American Realty Capital Trust, Inc.  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Maryland  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

333-145949  
(Commission File Number)

71-1036989  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

106 York Road  
Jenkintown, PA  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

19046  
(Zip Code)

(215) 887-2189 (Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



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Other Events.

On October 5, 2009, the Board of Directors of American Realty Capital Trust, Inc. (the “Company”) approved a special distribution of \$0.05 per share payable to shareholders of record on December 31, 2009. This special distribution will be paid in January 2010, and shall be paid in addition to the current annualized distribution of \$0.67 per share.

SIGNATURES

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.

AMERICAN REALTY CAPITAL TRUST, INC.

Date: October 6, 2009

By: /s/ Nicholas S. Schorsch  
Name: Nicholas S. Schorsch  
Title: Chief Executive Officer and  
Chairman of the Board of  
Directors