

ARBOR REALTY TRUST INC
 Form 4
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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 *
 HERBST FREDERICK C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ARBOR REALTY TRUST INC
 [ABR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 09/16/2005

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
 CFO and Treasurer

C/O ARBOR REALTY TRUST,
 INC., 333 EARLE OVINGTON
 BLVD., STE. 900

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

UNIONDALE, NY 11553

(City) (State) (Zip)

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 09/16/2005 | | D | 10,445 D | \$ 0 <u>(1)</u> 30,055 | D | |

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)

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| 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 Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
| | | | | 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 |
| HERBST FREDERICK C C/O ARBOR REALTY TRUST, INC. 333 EARLE OVINGTON BLVD., STE. 900 UNIONDALE, NY 11553 | | | | CFO and Treasurer |

Signatures

/s/ Frederick C. Herbst 09/16/2005

**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) Mr. Herbst resigned from his position as Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of Arbor Realty Trust, Inc. (the "Company") effective as of September 16, 2005. Pursuant to restricted stock agreements dated July 1, 2003 and July 7, 2005, the Company granted 4,000 and 12,500 shares of restricted stock, respectively, to Mr. Herbst under the Company's 2003 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan, as amended and restated. Pursuant to the terms of the restricted stock agreements, 445 of such 4,000 shares of restricted stock, and 10,000 of such 12,500 shares of restricted stock, respectively, were not yet vested on September 16, 2005 and, therefore, subject to forfeiture upon the cessation of Mr. Herbst's employment on such date.

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