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FORM 4

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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See Instruction

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

VON REIS SIRI Issuer Symbol **GENERAL AMERICAN** (Check all applicable) **INVESTORS CO INC [GAM]** (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner __X__ Other (specify Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) below) C/O OVERBROOK 11/16/2004 Director has Power of Attorney MANAGEMENT CORP, 122 EAST 42ND STREET, SUITE 2500 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person 01/10/2005 Form filed by More than One Reporting NEW YORK, NY 10168 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price General American Investors, 11/16/2004 P 3,000 A D 3,000 Inc. Common Stock General 15,000 D American **Investors**

Pfd Stock Series B

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)	4. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,	onNumber Expiration Date of (Month/Day/Yea Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,		Secur	ınt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

VON REIS SIRI C/O OVERBROOK MANAGEMENT CORP 122 EAST 42ND STREET, SUITE 2500 NEW YORK, NY 10168

Director has Power of Attorney

Signatures

Arthur G. Altschul, Jr., Power of 01/10/2005 Attorney

> Date **Signature of Reporting Person

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).

Remarks:

Arthur G. Altschul, Jr. has Power of Attorney over this account.

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