

STARWOOD PROPERTY TRUST, INC.

Form 4

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**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 \*  
STERNLICHT BARRY S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
STARWOOD PROPERTY TRUST, INC. [STWD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
CEO, Chairman of Board of Dire

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O STARWOOD PROPERTY TRUST, INC., 591 WEST PUTNAM AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
09/29/2014

(Street)  
GREENWICH, CT 06830

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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)  |   |                                   |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price                              |   |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 09/29/2014                           |  | M                              |   | 286,278   | A  | <u>(1)</u><br><u>(2)</u> 1,302,656 | I | By controlled entities <u>(3)</u> |
| Common Stock                    | 09/29/2014                           |  | J                              |   | 18,318  | D  | <u>(4)</u> \$ 0 1,284,338          | I | By controlled entities <u>(3)</u> |
| Common Stock                    | 11/13/2014                           |  | A                              |   | 92,865  | A  | <u>(5)</u> 1,377,203               | I | By controlled entities <u>(3)</u> |

Common  
Stock

2,748,724 <sup>(6)</sup> 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)

| 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) |              |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | <u>(7)</u>   | 09/29/2014                           |  | M                              | 286,278<br><u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>  | <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>                                    | <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>   | Common Stock | 286,278                    |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                                      |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                              | Other |
| STERNLICHT BARRY S<br>C/O STARWOOD PROPERTY TRUST, INC.<br>591 WEST PUTNAM AVENUE<br>GREENWICH, CT 06830 | X             |           | CEO,<br>Chairman of<br>Board of Dire |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Barry S.  
Sternlicht

11/14/2014

\*\*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) SPT Management, LLC, the issuer's external manager (the "Manager"), acquired 286,278 shares of the issuer's common stock in connection with the vesting of (i) 72,917 restricted stock units originally granted to the Manager on October 10, 2012 as an award under the Starwood Property Trust, Inc. Manager Equity Plan (the "2012 RSUs"), (ii) 166,667 restricted stock units originally granted to the Manager on January 2, 2014 as an award under the Starwood Property Trust, Inc. Manager Equity Plan (the "2014 RSUs") and (iii) 46,694 restricted stock units originally granted to the Manager on January 31, 2014 as an award under the Starwood Property Trust, Inc.

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Manager Equity Plan in connection with the distribution of common shares of Starwood Waypoint Residential Trust to holders of shares of common stock of the issuer on January 24, 2014.

- The remaining 2012 RSUs and 2014 RSUs will vest ratably in quarterly installments through September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2016, respectively, in each case subject to the Manager's continued service as the manager of the issuer. The remaining restricted stock units granted on January 31, 2014 will vest ratably in quarterly installments on the same schedule applicable to the 2012 RSUs and 2014 RSUs held by the Manager as of the grant date, subject to the Manager's continued service as the manager of the issuer. In each case as such restricted stock units vest, the award will be settled in shares of common stock of the issuer promptly, but in no event later than 30 days, following the applicable quarterly vesting date.
- (2)
  - (3) Represents shares held by the Manager and SFIP, L.P. ("SFIP"). Starwood Capital Group Global, L.P. ("SCGG") is the sole member of the Manager. Mr. Sternlicht is the controlling partner of each of SCGG and SFIP.
  - (4) On September 29, 2014, the Manager distributed 18,318 shares of the issuer's common stock to certain employees and other individuals having an affiliation with the Manager.
  - (5) Restricted shares of the issuer's common stock granted to the Manager as payment of 50% of the incentive fee as required by the Management Agreement between the issuer and the Manager.
  - (6) Includes shares transferred to Mr. Sternlicht from entities controlled by Mr. Sternlicht in transactions exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 16a-13.
  - (7) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the issuer's common stock.
- Represents the 875,000 restricted stock units granted to the Manager on October 10, 2012, the 2,000,000 restricted stock units granted to the Manager on January 2, 2014 and the 489,281 restricted stock units granted to the Manager on January 31, 2014, less those restricted stock units that have already vested and been converted into shares of common stock.
- (8)

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