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FORM 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the Quarterly Period Ended: March 31, 2009

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the Transition Period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number 1-13759

REDWOOD TRUST, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Maryland
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation or Organization)
One Belvedere Place, Suite 300
Mill Valley, California
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

68-0329422
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)
94941
(Zip Code)

(415) 389-7373

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name, Former Address and Former Fiscal Year, if Changed Since Last Report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of "accelerated filer and large accelerated filer" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share 60,255,977 shares outstanding as of May 4, 2009

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

REDWOOD TRUST, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In Thousands, Except Share Data)
(Unaudited)

	March 31, 2009	December 31, 2008
ASSETS		

Real estate loans	\$ 4,540,403	\$ 4,659,336
Real estate securities, at fair value:		
Trading securities	264,342	339,654
Available-for-sale securities	255,223	232,470
Total real estate securities	519,565	572,124
Other investments	61,637	78,244
Cash and cash equivalents	333,153	126,480
Total earning assets	5,454,758	5,436,184
Restricted cash	51,371	53,608
Accrued interest receivable	25,561	31,415
Derivative assets	4,784	3,071
Deferred tax asset	2,739	3,608
Deferred asset-backed securities issuance costs	9,129	9,921
Other assets	32,254	43,942
Total Assets	\$ 5,580,596	\$ 5,581,749
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Short-term debt	\$ —	\$ —
Accrued interest payable	14,697	29,417
Derivative liabilities	155,856	177,590
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	11,619	20,118
Dividends payable	15,057	25,103
Asset-backed securities issued – Sequoia	4,418,352	4,508,127
Asset-backed securities issued – Acacia	290,645	346,931
Long-term debt	150,000	150,000
Total liabilities	5,056,226	5,257,286
EQUITY		
Stockholders' Equity		
Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, 101,450,000 and 75,000,000 shares authorized; 60,228,058 and 33,470,557 issued and outstanding	602	336
Additional paid-in capital	1,433,685	1,149,392
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(85,467)	(56,865)
Cumulative earnings	231,115	266,059
Cumulative distributions to stockholders	(1,073,663)	(1,057,070)
Total stockholders' equity	506,272	301,852
Noncontrolling interest	18,098	22,611
Total equity	524,370	324,463
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$ 5,580,596	\$ 5,581,749

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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REDWOOD TRUST, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF (LOSS) INCOME

(In Thousands, Except Share Data) (Unaudited)	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2009	2008
Interest Income		
Real estate loans	\$ 33,969	\$ 95,623
Real estate securities	47,263	76,528
Other investments	76	732
Cash and cash equivalents	130	3,181
Total interest income	81,438	176,064
Interest Expense		
Short-term debt	—	(182)
Asset-backed securities issued	(45,834)	(124,585)
Long-term debt	(1,808)	(2,533)
Total interest expense	(47,642)	(127,300)
Net Interest Income	33,796	48,764
Provision for loan losses	(16,032)	(8,058)
Market valuation adjustments, net	(43,242)	(193,932)
Net Interest Loss After Provision and Market Valuation Adjustments	(25,478)	(153,226)
Operating expenses	(10,539)	(16,348)
Realized gains on sales and calls, net	462	42
Net loss before provision for income taxes	(35,555)	(169,532)
Provision for income taxes	(105)	(1,800)
Net loss	(35,660)	(171,332)
Less: Net (loss) income attributable to noncontrolling interest	(716)	255
Net Loss Attributable to Redwood Trust, Inc.	\$ (34,944)	\$ (171,587)
Basic (loss) earnings per share:	\$ (0.65)	\$ (5.28)
Diluted (loss) earnings per share:	\$ (0.65)	\$ (5.28)
Regular dividends declared per common share	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.75
Basic weighted average shares outstanding	53,632,132	32,511,445
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding	53,632,132	32,511,445

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EQUITY AND COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME

For the Three Months Ended March 31, 2009

(In Thousands, Except Share Data) (Unaudited)	Common Stock		Additional Paid-In Capital	Accumulated Other Comprehensive (Loss) Income	Cumulative (Losses) Earnings	Cumulative Distributions to Stockholders	Noncontrolling Interest	Total
	Shares	Amount						
December 31, 2008	33,470,557	\$ 336	\$1,149,392	\$ (56,865)	\$266,059	\$(1,057,070)	\$ 22,611	\$324,463
Net loss	—	—	—	—	(34,944)	—	(716)	(35,660)
Net unrealized loss on available-for-sale securities	—	—	—	(44,112)	—	—	(1,942)	(46,054)
Reclassification of other-than-temporary impairments to net loss	—	—	—	14,411	—	—	—	14,411
Reclassification of unrealized loss on interest rate agreements to net loss	—	—	—	1,099	—	—	—	1,099
Total other comprehensive loss	—	—	—	(28,602)	—	—	—	(28,602)
Total comprehensive loss	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(66,204)
Issuance of common stock:								
Secondary offering	26,450,000	264	282,142	—	—	—	—	282,406

Dividend reinvestment & stock purchase plans	132,406	1	1,462	—	—	—	—	1,463
Employee option & stock purchase plan	175,095	1	(1,105)	—	—	—	—	(1,104)
Non-cash equity award compensation	—	—	1,794	—	—	—	—	1,794
Accrued distributions	—	—	—	—	—	—	(1,855)	(1,855)
Common dividends declared	—	—	—	—	—	(16,593)	—	(16,593)
March 31, 2009	<u>60,228,058</u>	<u>\$ 602</u>	<u>\$1,433,685</u>	<u>\$ (85,467)</u>	<u>\$231,115</u>	<u>\$(1,073,663)</u>	<u>\$ 18,098</u>	<u>\$524,370</u>

For the Three Months Ended March 31, 2008

(In Thousands, Except Share Data) (Unaudited)	Common Stock		Additional Paid-In Capital	Accumulated Other Comprehensive (Loss) Income	Cumulative (Losses) Earnings	Cumulative Distributions to Stockholders	Noncontrolling Interest	Total
	Shares	Amount						
December 31, 2007	32,385,073	\$ 324	\$1,108,148	\$ (573,766)	\$ (299,626)	\$ (953,359)	\$ —	\$ (718,279)
Adoption of FAS 159	—	—	—	458,207	1,010,071	—	—	1,468,278
January 1, 2008	32,385,073	324	1,108,148	\$ (115,559)	710,445	\$ (953,359)	—	749,999
Net (loss) income	—	—	—	—	(171,587)	—	255	(171,332)
Net unrealized loss on available-for-sale securities	—	—	—	(52,272)	—	—	—	(52,272)
Reclassification of other-than-temporary impairments to net loss	—	—	—	73,294	—	—	—	73,294
Reclassification of unrealized loss on interest rate agreements to net loss	—	—	—	1,246	—	—	—	1,246
Total other comprehensive income	—	—	—	22,268	—	—	—	22,268
Total comprehensive loss	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(149,064)
Issuance of common stock:								
Dividend reinvestment & stock purchase plans	273,740	2	9,389	—	—	—	—	9,391
Employee option & stock purchase plan	51,150	—	611	—	—	—	—	611
Non-cash equity award compensation	—	—	1,406	—	—	—	—	1,406
Contributions from noncontrolling interest	—	—	—	—	—	—	8,046	8,046
Common dividends declared	—	—	—	—	—	(25,454)	—	(25,454)
March 31, 2008	<u>32,709,963</u>	<u>\$ 326</u>	<u>\$1,119,554</u>	<u>\$ (93,291)</u>	<u>\$ 538,858</u>	<u>\$ (978,813)</u>	<u>\$ 8,301</u>	<u>\$ 594,935</u>

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REDWOOD TRUST, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(In Thousands) (Unaudited)	Three Months Ended	
	2009	2008
Cash Flows From Operating Activities:		
Net (loss) income	\$ (34,944)	\$ (171,587)
Adjustments to reconcile net (loss) income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Amortization of premiums, discounts, and debt issuance costs, net	2,965	(7,664)
Depreciation and amortization of non-financial assets	273	266
Provision for loan losses	16,032	8,058
Non-cash equity award compensation	1,794	1,406
Market valuation adjustments, net	43,242	193,932
Realized gains on sales and calls, net	(462)	(42)
Net change in:		
Accrued interest receivable	6,244	8,020
Deferred income taxes	869	394
Other assets	20,087	6,180
Accrued interest payable	(10,483)	(9,914)
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	(8,499)	(3,216)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>37,118</u>	<u>25,833</u>
Cash Flows From Investing Activities:		
Principal payments on real estate loans held-for-investment	83,866	399,844
Purchases of real estate securities available-for-sale	(97,551)	(54,875)
Proceeds from sales of real estate securities available-for-sale	711	—
Principal payments on real estate securities available-for-sale	18,588	17,936
Purchases of real estate securities trading	—	(3,341)
Principal payments on real estate securities trading	28,571	57,298
Principal payments on other investments	3,942	354
Net decrease (increase) in restricted cash	<u>2,237</u>	<u>(31,189)</u>
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>40,364</u>	<u>386,027</u>
Cash Flows From Financing Activities:		
Net (repayments) borrowings on short-term debt	—	(5,475)
Repayments on asset-backed securities	(117,142)	(431,228)
Net purchases of interest rate agreements	(7,223)	(1,718)
Net proceeds from issuance of common stock	282,765	10,002
Dividends paid	(26,639)	(25,210)
Change in noncontrolling interests	(2,570)	8,301
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	<u>129,191</u>	<u>(445,328)</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	206,673	(33,468)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	126,480	290,363
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	<u>\$ 333,153</u>	<u>\$ 256,895</u>
Supplemental Disclosures:		
Cash paid for interest	\$ 62,362	\$ 137,214
Cash received for taxes	\$ (806)	\$ —
Dividends declared but not paid at end of period	<u>\$ 15,057</u>	<u>\$ 24,532</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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Note 1. Redwood Trust

Redwood Trust, Inc., together with its subsidiaries (Redwood, we, or us), invests in, finances, and manages real estate assets. We invest in residential and commercial real estate loans and in asset-backed securities backed by real estate loans. We seek to invest in assets that have the potential to generate sufficient long-term cash flow returns to support our goal of distributing an attractive level of dividends per share to shareholders over time. For tax purposes, we are structured as a real estate investment trust (REIT).

Redwood was incorporated in the State of Maryland on April 11, 1994, and commenced operations on August 19, 1994. Our executive offices are located at One Belvedere Place, Suite 300, Mill Valley, California 94941.

Note 2. Basis of Presentation

The consolidated financial statements presented herein are at March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008, and for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008. These consolidated financial statements have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States (GAAP) for interim financial information and with the Securities and Exchange Commission's (SEC) instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Results for the three months ended March 31, 2009, may not necessarily be indicative of the results for the year ending December 31, 2009. The unaudited interim consolidated financial statements as of March 31, 2009, should be read in conjunction with our audited consolidated financial statements and related notes included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008. All amounts presented herein, except per share data, are shown in thousands.

Organization

Our consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Redwood, its direct and indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries, and other entities in which we have a controlling financial interest. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated. A number of Redwood's consolidated subsidiaries are qualifying REIT subsidiaries and the remainder are taxable subsidiaries. References to the Redwood REIT include Redwood and its qualifying REIT subsidiaries, excluding taxable subsidiaries.

We are the asset manager and an investor in the Redwood Opportunity Fund LP (the Fund) that we sponsor. The Fund primarily invests in mortgage-backed securities. We also sponsor two securitization programs. Our Sequoia program is used for the securitization of residential mortgage loans. References to Sequoia refer collectively to all the consolidated Sequoia securitization entities. Our Acacia program is used for the securitization of mortgage-backed securities and other types of financial assets. References to Acacia refer collectively to all the consolidated Acacia securitization entities.

Principles of Consolidation

We apply the principles of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 140, *Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities* (FAS 140) and FASB Interpretation No. 46 (revised), *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities* (FIN 46(R)) to determine whether we must consolidate any entities where we have continuing involvement.

We consolidate the assets, liabilities, and noncontrolling interests of the Fund that we sponsor, as we are the primary beneficiary of this entity as defined by FIN 46(R). The primary beneficiary is the party that absorbs the majority of a variable interest entity's (VIEs) anticipated losses and/or the majority of the expected returns. Our significant limited partnership interests and ongoing asset management responsibilities constitute this majority. We do not service any assets, including assets owned at the Fund.

We consolidate the assets and liabilities of the Sequoia and Acacia securitization entities that we sponsor that are not accounted for as sales. These entities did not meet the criteria for sale accounting as prescribed by FAS 140 at the time we transferred financial assets to them. Our continuing involvement includes our

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retention of junior interests and call rights and certain ongoing management responsibilities or other discretionary activities. We do not service any assets, including assets owned at Sequoia or Acacia. For financial reporting purposes, the underlying loans and securities owned at Sequoia and Acacia entities are shown on our consolidated balance sheets under real estate loans and real estate securities, and the asset-back securities (ABS) issued to third parties are shown under ABS issued. In our consolidated statements of (loss) income, we record interest income on the loans and securities and interest expense on the ABS issued.

During the fourth quarter of 2008, we derecognized the assets and liabilities of certain Sequoia entities due to a sale of our variable interests in those entities and lack of continuing involvement. These assets and liabilities are no longer shown on our consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2008.

Note 3. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires us to make a number of significant estimates. These include estimates of fair value of certain assets and liabilities, amount and timing of credit losses, prepayment rates, the period of time during which we anticipate an increase in the fair values of real estate securities sufficient to recover unrealized losses in those securities, and other estimates that affect the reported amounts of certain assets and liabilities as of the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of certain revenues and expenses during the reported period. It is likely that changes in these estimates (e.g., valuation changes due to supply and demand, credit performance, prepayments, interest rates, or other reasons) will occur in the near term. Our estimates are inherently subjective in nature and actual results could differ from our estimates and the differences could be material.

Fair Value Option

Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 159, *The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities – Including an Amendment of FAS No. 115* (FAS 159) gives us the option of electing to measure eligible financial assets, financial liabilities, and commitments at fair value on an instrument-by-instrument basis. This election is available when we first recognize a financial asset or financial liability or enter into a firm commitment, or upon the initial adoption of FAS 159 on January 1, 2008. Subsequent changes in the fair value of these assets, liabilities, and commitments are recorded in the consolidated statements of (loss) income.

Our decision to adopt FAS 159 for new financial instruments is generally based upon our funding strategy for the specific financial asset acquired. For example, securities that we anticipate funding with equity will generally be accounted for as available-for-sale (AFS) securities under FAS 115. Securities that we anticipate funding with a combination of debt and equity or those financed through the issuance of asset-backed liabilities will generally be accounted for at fair value under FAS 159 along with the corresponding liabilities.

See *Note 4* for further discussion on the fair value option.

Fair Value Measurements

Our financial statements include assets and liabilities that are measured at their estimated fair values. We estimate fair values in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements* (FAS 157). Under this standard, a fair value measurement represents the price at which a transaction would occur between market participants. This price implies an orderly transaction, or exit price, that is not a forced liquidation or distressed sale at the measurement date. We develop fair values for financial assets or liabilities based on available inputs and pricing that is observed in the marketplace. Examples of market information that we attempt to obtain include the following:

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Note 3. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – (continued)

- Quoted prices for the same or similar securities;
- Relevant reports issued by analysts and rating agencies;
- The current level of interest rates and any directional movements in relevant indices, such as credit risk indices;
- Information about the performance of the underlying mortgage loans, such as delinquency and foreclosure rates, loss experience, and prepayment rates;
- Indicative prices or yields from broker/dealers; and,
- Other relevant observable inputs, including nonperformance risk and liquidity premiums.

After considering all available indications of the appropriate rate of return that market participants would require, we consider the reasonableness of the range indicated by the results to determine an estimate that is most representative of fair value.

The markets for the real estate securities that we invest in and issue are generally illiquid. Establishing fair values for illiquid assets and liabilities is inherently subjective and is often dependent upon our estimates and modeling assumptions. If we determine that either the volume and/or level of trading activity for an asset or liability has significantly decreased from normal conditions for that asset or liability, or price quotations or observable inputs are not associated with orderly transactions, the market inputs that we obtain might not be relevant. For example, broker (or pricing service) quotes may not be a relevant if an active market does not exist for the financial asset or liability. The nature of the quote (for example, whether the quote is an indicative price or a binding offer) must also be evaluated. In circumstances where relevant market inputs cannot be obtained, increased analysis and management judgment are required to estimate fair value. This may require the use of our internal assumptions about future cash flows and appropriate risk-adjusted discount rates. Regardless of the valuation inputs we apply, the objective of fair value measurement is unchanged from what it would be if markets were operating at normal activity levels and/or transactions were orderly; that is, to determine the current exit price.

See Note 5 for further discussion on fair value measurements.

Real Estate Loans

Residential and Commercial Real Estate Loans — Fair Value

Residential and commercial real estate loans at fair value are loans where we have elected the fair value option under FAS 159. The fair value option was elected on January 1, 2008, for all the loans owned by Acacia securitization entities as of that date. Coupon interest is recognized as revenue when earned and deemed collectible or until a loan becomes more than 90 days past due. Changes in fair value (gains and losses) are recurring and are reported through our consolidated statements of (loss) income in market valuation adjustments, net.

Residential and Commercial Real Estate Loans — Held-for-Sale

Residential and commercial real estate loans held-for-sale are loans that we are marketing for sale to independent third parties. These loans are carried at the lower of their cost or fair value in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 65, *Accounting for Certain Mortgage Banking Activities* (FAS 65), as measured on an individual basis. Coupon interest is recognized as revenue when earned and deemed collectible or until a loan becomes more than 90 days past due. If fair value is lower than amortized cost, changes in fair value (gains and losses) are reported through our consolidated statements of (loss) income in market valuation adjustments, net.

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Note 3. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – (continued)

Residential and Commercial Real Estate Loans — Held-for-Investment

Real estate loans held-for-investment include residential real estate loans owned and securitized at Sequoia entities and commercial real estate loans owned at Redwood. These loans are carried at their unpaid principal balances adjusted for net unamortized premiums or discounts and net of any allowance for loan losses. Coupon interest is recognized as revenue when earned and deemed collectible or until a loan becomes more than 90 days past due. Interest previously accrued on loans that become greater than 90 days past due is reserved against in the allowance for loan losses. Cash principal and interest that is advanced from servicers subsequent to a loan becoming greater than 90 days past due is used to reduce the outstanding loan principal balance. Pursuant to Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 91, *Accounting for Nonrefundable Fees and Costs Associated with Originating or Acquiring Loans and Initial Direct Cost of Leases* (FAS 91), we use the interest method to determine an effective yield and to amortize the premium or discount on real estate loans held-for-investment. For residential loans acquired prior to July 1, 2004, we use coupon interest rates as they change over time and anticipated principal payments to determine an effective yield to amortize the premium or discount. For residential loans acquired after July 1, 2004, we use the initial coupon interest rate of the loans (without regard to future changes in the underlying indices) and anticipated principal payments to calculate an effective yield to amortize the premium or discount.

We may exercise our right to call ABS issued by Sequoia and may subsequently sell the underlying loans to third parties. We reclassify held-for-investment loans to held-for-sale loans if we determine that loans will be sold to third parties. Gains or losses on the sale of real estate loans are based on the specific identification method.

Real Estate Loans — Allowance for Loan Losses

For real estate loans classified as held-for-investment, we establish and maintain an allowance for loan losses based on our estimate of credit losses inherent in our loan portfolios as of the reporting date. To calculate the allowance for loan losses, we assess inherent losses by determining loss factors (defaults, the timing of defaults, and loss severities upon defaults) that can be specifically applied to each of the consolidated loans or pool of loans.

We follow the guidelines of SEC Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 102, *Selected Loan Loss Allowance Methodology and Documentation* (SAB 102), Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 5, *Accounting for Contingencies* (FAS 5), and Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 114, *Accounting by Creditors for Impairment of a Loan* (FAS 114), in setting the allowance for loan losses.

We consider the following factors in making such determinations:

- Ongoing analyses of loans, including, but not limited to, the age of loans, underwriting standards, business climate, economic conditions, and other observable data;
- Historical loss rates and past performance of similar loans;
- Relevant environmental factors;
- Relevant market research and publicly available third-party reference loss rates;
- Trends in delinquencies and charge-offs;
- Effects and changes in credit concentrations;
- Information supporting a borrower's ability to meet obligations;
- Ongoing evaluations of fair values of collateral using current appraisals and other valuations; and,
- Discounted cash flow analyses.

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Note 3. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – (continued)

Once we determine applicable default amounts, the timing of the defaults, and severity of losses upon defaults, we estimate expected losses for each individual loan or pool of loans over its expected life. We then estimate the timing of these losses and the losses probable to occur over an effective loss confirmation period. This period is defined as the range of time between the occurrence of a credit loss (such as the initial deterioration of the borrower's financial condition) and the confirmation of that loss (the actual impairment or charge-off of the loan). The losses expected to occur within the estimated loss confirmation period are the basis of our allowance for loan losses, since we believe these losses exist as of the reported date of the financial statements. We re-evaluate the adequacy of our allowance for loan losses on at least a quarterly basis.

See *Note 7* for further discussion on the allowance for loan losses.

We do not currently maintain a loan repurchase reserve, as we do not originate real estate loans and we believe that any risk of loss due to loan repurchases (i.e., due to breach of representations and warranties) would be a contingency to the companies from whom we acquired the loans and therefore would be covered by our recourse to those companies. Management is not aware of any outstanding repurchase claims against Redwood.

Real Estate Securities, at Fair Value

Trading Securities

Trading securities include residential, commercial, and collateralized debt obligation (CDO) real estate securities. Trading securities are carried at their estimated fair values. Coupon interest is recognized as interest income when earned and deemed collectible and all changes in fair value are reported through our consolidated statements of (loss) income in market valuation adjustments, net.

We primarily denote trading securities as those securities where we have adopted the fair value option under FAS 159. We currently account for certain securities at Redwood and all securities at Acacia entities as trading securities. Prior to the adoption of FAS 159, these securities were accounted for in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 115, *Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities* (FAS 115).

Available-for-Sale Securities

AFS securities include certain residential, commercial, and CDO securities. AFS securities are carried at their estimated fair values with cumulative unrealized gains and losses reported as a component of accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income in our consolidated statements of equity, in accordance with FAS 115. We currently account for most securities at Redwood and all securities at the Fund as AFS securities.

When recognizing revenue on our AFS securities, we have determined that credit risk is not remote and therefore employ the interest method as prescribed under the Emerging Issues Task Force of the Financial Accounting Standards Board 99-20, *Recognition of Interest Income and Impairment on Purchased and Retained Beneficial Interests in Securitized Financial Assets* (EITF 99-20). Coupon interest is recognized as interest income when earned and deemed collectible, and the interest method is used to determine an effective yield to amortize purchase premiums, discounts, and fees associated with these securities into income over time. This requires us to project cash flows over the remaining life of each asset, which includes assumptions about interest rates, prepayment rates, the timing and amount of credit losses, and other factors. We review and make adjustments to our cash flow projections on an ongoing basis and monitor these projections based on input and analyses received from external sources, internal models, and our own judgment and experience. Actual maturities of our AFS securities are affected by the contractual lives of the associated mortgage collateral, periodic payments of principal, and prepayments of principal. Therefore, actual maturities of AFS

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securities are generally shorter than stated contractual maturities. Stated contractual maturities are generally greater than ten years. There can be no assurance that our assumptions used to estimate future cash flows or the current period's yield for each asset will not change in the near term, and the change could be material.

Yields recognized for each security can vary as a function of credit results, prepayment rates, and interest rates. If estimated future credit losses are less than our prior estimate, credit losses occur later than expected, or prepayment rates are faster than expected (meaning the present value of projected cash flows is greater than previously expected for assets acquired at a discount to face value), the yield over the remaining life of the security may be adjusted upwards. If estimated future credit losses exceed our prior expectations, credit losses occur more quickly than expected, or prepayments occur more slowly than expected (meaning the present value of projected cash flows is less than previously expected for assets acquired at a discount to face value), the yield over the remaining life of the security may be adjusted downward.

We assess each quarter whether a decline in fair value below our cost of the AFS security is an other-than-temporary impairment (OTTI). For determining OTTI, we use the guidelines prescribed under FAS 115, EITF 99-20, and SEC Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 5(m), *Other-Than-Temporary Impairment for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities* (commonly referred to as SAB 59). If there has been an adverse change in the projected future cash flows of the security, we no longer have the ability and intent to hold the security, or we have determined that there will not likely be a recovery of fair value up to (or beyond) the amortized cost of the security within a reasonable period of time, there is an OTTI. Upon the determination of an OTTI, any associated accumulated other comprehensive loss is reclassified into earnings using the specific identification method and reported under market valuation adjustments, net, in our consolidated statements of (loss) income.

In January 2009, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position EITF 99-20-1, *Amendments to the Impairment Guidance of EITF Issue No. 99-20* (FSP EITF 99-20-1). FSP EITF 99-20-1 clarified the impairment guidance in EITF 99-20 to ensure a more consistent determination of whether an OTTI has occurred. The implementation of this standard did not impact our consolidated financial position and results of operations as our existing valuation methodology is consistent with the FASB's clarification.

See *Note 8* for further discussion on real estate securities.

Other Investments

Other investments include a guaranteed investment contract (GIC) entered into by an Acacia securitization entity that we consolidate for financial statements purposes. We elected the fair value option under FAS 159 for this investment on January 1, 2008, and it is recorded on our consolidated balance sheets at its estimated fair value. Changes in fair value are reported through our consolidated statements of (loss) income through market valuation adjustments, net. Interest income is reported through our consolidated statements of (loss) income through interest income, other investments.

See *Note 9* for further discussion on other investments.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include non-restricted cash on hand and highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less. At March 31, 2009, we did not have any significant concentrations of credit risk arising from cash deposits as all of our cash and cash equivalents were invested in U.S. Government Treasury Bills or FDIC-insured bank products.

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Restricted Cash

Restricted cash primarily includes principal and interest payments that are collateral for, or payable to, owners of ABS issued

consolidated securitization entities, and cash pledged as collateral on interest rate agreements. Restricted cash may also include cash retained in Acacia or Sequoia securitization entities or in the Fund prior to the purchase of loans or securities, payments on or redemption of outstanding ABS issued, or distributions to limited partners.

Accrued Interest Receivable

Accrued interest receivable represents interest that is due and payable to us. Cash interest is generally received within thirty days of recording the receivable. For financial assets where we have elected the fair value option under FAS 159, the associated accrued interest on these assets is measured at fair value. For financial assets where we have not elected to adopt FAS 159, the associated accrued interest carrying values approximate fair values.

Derivative Financial Instruments

Derivative financial instruments include contractual interest rate agreements and credit default swaps. All derivative financial instruments are reported at fair value on our consolidated balance sheets, in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 133, *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities* (FAS 133) and FAS 159. Derivatives with a positive value to us are reported as an asset and derivatives with a negative value to us are reported as a liability. The changes in fair value of derivatives accounted for as trading instruments are reported in the consolidated statements of (loss) income through market valuation adjustments, net.

On January 1, 2009, we adopted the Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 161, *Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, an Amendment of FASB Statement No. 133* (FAS 161). FAS 161 required qualitative disclosures about objectives and strategies for using derivatives, quantitative disclosures about fair value amounts of gains and losses on derivative instruments, and disclosures about credit risk related contingent features in derivative agreements. Our adoption of FAS 161 resulted in increased disclosures, which can be found in *Note 10*.

Interest Rate Agreements

We maintain an overall interest rate risk management strategy that incorporates the use of interest rate agreements. We enter into interest rate agreements for a variety of reasons, including minimizing significant fluctuations in earnings or market values on certain assets or liabilities that may be caused by interest rate volatility. Interest rate agreements that we use as part of our interest rate risk management strategy may include interest rate options, swaps, options on swaps, futures contracts, options on futures contracts, and options on forward purchases.

Prior to 2008, we accounted for derivatives used to hedge interest rate exposure in Acacia securitization entities as cash flow hedges. At January 1, 2008, all of our consolidated derivatives designated as cash flow hedges were de-designated and accounted for as trading instruments. To the extent the associated hedged items continue to exist, the fair value of cash flow hedges at the time of de-designation remains in accumulated other comprehensive loss and is amortized using the straight-line method through interest expense over the remaining lives of the hedged Acacia ABS issued. Net purchases and proceeds from interest rate agreements are classified as financing activities within our consolidated statements of cash flows.

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Credit Derivatives

A credit default swap (CDS) is an agreement to provide (receive) credit event protection based on a financial index or specific security in exchange for receiving (paying) a fixed-rate fee or premium over the term of the contract. These instruments enable us to synthetically assume the credit risk of a reference security or index of securities. All of our existing CDS contracts were initiated during 2007 by one of the Acacia entities that we have consolidated for financial reporting purposes. Net purchases and proceeds from CDS are classified as financing activities within our consolidated statements of cash flows.

See *Note 10* for further discussion on derivative financial instruments.

Deferred Tax Assets

Income recognition for GAAP and tax differ in material respects. These differences often reflect differing accounting treatments for tax and GAAP, such as accounting for discount and premium amortization, credit losses, equity awards, asset impairments, and certain valuation estimates. As a result of these differences, we may recognize taxable income in periods prior to when we recognize income for GAAP. When this occurs, we pay the tax liability and establish a deferred tax asset for GAAP. As the income is subsequently realized in future periods under GAAP, the deferred tax asset is recognized as an expense. Our deferred tax assets are primarily generated by differences in GAAP and taxable income at our taxable subsidiaries. GAAP and tax differences at the REIT may create additional deferred tax assets or liabilities to the extent we do not distribute all of our taxable income.

Deferred Asset-Backed Securities Issuance Costs

ABS issuance costs are costs associated with the issuance of ABS from the Sequoia securitization entities we sponsor. These costs typically include underwriting, rating agency, legal, accounting, and other fees. ABS issuance costs associated with liabilities accounted for under the fair value option are expensed as incurred. ABS issuance costs associated with liabilities reported at cost are deferred. Deferred ABS issuance costs are reported on our consolidated balance sheets as deferred charges and are amortized as an adjustment to interest expense using the interest method, based upon the actual and estimated repayment schedules of the related ABS issued under the principles prescribed in Accounting Practice Bulletin 21, *Interest on Receivables and Payables* (APB 21). Sequoia deferred ABS issuance costs are accounted for in accordance with APB 21.

As of January 1, 2008, deferred issuance costs associated with Acacia securitizations were included as part of our adoption of FAS 159 for assets and liabilities at Acacia. As a result, these deferred costs were charged to retained earnings as a part of a one-time cumulative effect adjustment on January 1, 2008.

Other Assets

Other assets on our consolidated balance sheets include real estate owned (REO), fixed assets, purchased interest, principal receivable, and other prepaid expenses. REO is reported at the lower of cost or fair value. All other assets are reported at cost.

See *Note 11* for further discussion on other assets.

Short-Term Debt

Short-term debt can include master repurchase agreements, bank borrowings, and other forms of collateralized borrowings with various commercial banks and investment banks that expire within one year. These facilities may be unsecured or collateralized by loans or securities. Since late November 2008 we have had no short-term debt outstanding.

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Accrued Interest Payable

Accrued interest payable represents interest that is due and payable to third parties. Interest is generally paid within thirty days to three months of recording the payable, based upon our remittance requirements. For borrowings where we have elected the fair value option under FAS 159, the associated accrued interest on these liabilities is measured at fair value. For financial liabilities where we have not elected to adopt FAS 159, the associated accrued interest carrying values approximate fair values.

Asset Backed Securities Issued — Sequoia and Acacia

The majority of the liabilities reported on our consolidated balance sheets represent ABS issued by bankruptcy-remote

securitization entities sponsored by Redwood.

Sequoia and Acacia assets are held in the custody of trustees. These trustees collect principal and interest payments (less servicing and related fees) from the assets and make corresponding principal and interest payments to the ABS investors. ABS obligations are payable solely from the assets of these entities and are not obligations of Redwood.

Sequoia ABS Issued

Sequoia ABS issued are carried at their unpaid principal balances net of any unamortized discount or premium.

Acacia ABS Issued

Effective January 1, 2008, Acacia ABS issued are accounted for under FAS 159 and carried at their estimated fair values on our consolidated balance sheets. Changes in fair value (gains or losses) are reported in our consolidated statements of (loss) income through market valuation adjustments, net. Prior to January 1, 2008, Acacia ABS issued were accounted for under the same method as Sequoia ABS issued.

See *Note 12* for further discussion on ABS issued.

Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt includes trust preferred securities and subordinated notes at Redwood and is carried at its unpaid principal balance. Both are unsecured debt, requiring quarterly interest payments at a floating rate equal to the three-month London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) plus a margin until they are redeemed in whole or mature at a future date. These notes contain an earlier optional redemption date without penalty.

See *Note 13* for further discussion on long-term debt.

Equity

(Loss) Earnings Per Share

Basic (loss) earnings per share (EPS) are computed by dividing net (loss) income by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted (loss) EPS are computed by dividing net (loss) income by the weighted average number of common shares and potential common shares outstanding during the period. Potential common shares outstanding are calculated using the treasury stock method, which assumes that all dilutive common stock equivalents are exercised and the funds generated by the exercises are used to buy back outstanding common stock at the average market price of the common stock during the reporting period. In accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 128, *Earnings per Share* (FAS 128), if there is a loss from continuing operations, the common stock equivalents are deemed antidilutive and diluted (loss) EPS is calculated in the same manner as basic (loss) EPS.

On January 1, 2009, we adopted, FASB Staff Position EITF 03-6-1, *Determining Whether Instruments Granted in Share-Based Payment Transactions Are Participating Securities* (EITF 03-6-1). EITF 03-6-1 states

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that unvested share-based payment awards that contain nonforfeitable rights to dividends or dividend equivalents are “participating securities” as defined in EITF 03-6, *Participating Securities and the Two-Class Method under FASB Statement No. 128* (EITF 03-6), and therefore should be included in computing EPS using the two-class method. Our adoption of EITF 03-6-1 required us to recast previously reported EPS, and did not have a significant impact on EPS.

Other Comprehensive (Loss) Income

Net unrealized gains and losses on real estate securities available-for-sale and interest rate agreements previously designated as cash flow hedges under FAS 133 are reported as components of other comprehensive (loss) income on our consolidated statements of equity and comprehensive (loss) income. Net unrealized gains and losses on securities and interest rate agreements held by our taxable subsidiaries that are reported in other comprehensive (loss) income are adjusted for the effects of taxation and may create deferred tax assets or liabilities.

Noncontrolling Interest

Noncontrolling interest represents the aggregate limited partnership interests in the Fund held by third parties. In accordance with Financial Accounting Standards No. 160, *Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements* (FAS 160), the noncontrolling interest of the Fund is shown as a component of equity on our consolidated balance sheets, and the portion of income allocable to third parties is shown as net income attributable to noncontrolling interest in our consolidated statements of (loss) income. A reconciliation of equity attributable to noncontrolling interest is disclosed in our consolidated statements of equity and comprehensive (loss) income.

Equity Compensation Plans

Incentive Plan

In March 2008, we amended our previously amended 2002 Redwood Trust, Inc. Incentive Plan (Incentive Plan) for executive officers, employees, and non-employee directors. This amendment was approved by our shareholders in May 2008. The Incentive Plan authorizes our Board of Directors (or a committee appointed by our Board of Directors) to grant incentive stock options (ISOs), non-qualifying stock options (NQSOs), deferred stock units (DSUs), restricted stock, performance shares, stock appreciation rights, limited stock appreciation rights (awards), and dividend equivalent rights (DERs) to eligible recipients other than non-employee directors.

The cost of equity awards is determined in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123R, *Share-Based Payment* (FAS 123R), and amortized over the vesting term using an accelerated method in accordance with FASB Interpretation No. 28 *Accounting for Stock Appreciation Rights and Other Variable Stock Options or Award Plans* (FIN 28) and FAS 123R. Stock options, deferred stock units, and restricted stock granted to employees generally vest over a four-year period. Non-employee directors are provided annual awards under the Incentive Plan that generally vest immediately.

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Employee Stock Purchase Plan

In May 2002, our stockholders approved our 2002 Redwood Trust, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan (ESPP), effective July 1, 2002. The purpose of the ESPP is to give our employees an opportunity to acquire an equity interest in Redwood through the purchase of shares of common stock at a discount. The ESPP allows eligible employees to purchase common stock at 85% of its fair value, subject to certain limits. Fair value as defined under the ESPP is the lesser of the closing market price of the common stock on the first day of the calendar year or the first day of the calendar quarter.

Executive Deferred Compensation Plan

In May 2002, our Board of Directors approved our 2002 Executive Deferred Compensation Plan (EDCP). The EDCP allows eligible employees and directors to defer portions of current salary and certain other forms of compensation. Redwood matches some deferrals. Compensation deferred under the EDCP is an asset of Redwood and subject to the claims of the general creditors of Redwood. The EDCP allows for the investment of deferrals in either an interest crediting account or DSUs.

See *Note 16* for further discussion on equity compensation plans.

Taxes

We have elected to be taxed as a REIT under the Internal Revenue Code and the corresponding provisions of state law. To qualify as a REIT we must distribute at least 90% of our annual REIT taxable income to shareholders (not including taxable income retained in our taxable subsidiaries) within the time frame set forth in the tax code and also meet certain other requirements. Beginning in 2003, we elected to retain up to 10% of our REIT ordinary taxable income and had provisioned for corporate income taxes on the retained income while maintaining our REIT status. In August 2008, our Board of Directors decided to distribute as dividends 100% of our REIT taxable income generated in 2007 and 2008 and our tax provisions changed accordingly.

We assess our tax positions for all open tax years and determine whether we have any material unrecognized liabilities in accordance with Financial Accounting Standard Board Interpretation Number 48, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes*, (FIN 48). We record these liabilities to the extent we deem them incurred. We classify interest and penalties on material uncertain tax positions as interest expense and operating expense, respectively, in our consolidated statements of (loss) income.

See *Note 18* for further discussion on taxes.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In April 2009, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position FAS 157-4, *Determining Fair Value When the Volume and Level of Activity for the Asset or Liability Have Significantly Decreased and Identifying Transactions That Are Not Orderly* (FSP 157-4). The purpose of this FSP is to provide additional guidance on estimating fair value when the volume and level of activity for an asset or liability have significantly decreased, and determining when a transaction is not orderly. FSP 157-4 is effective for interim and annual periods ending after June 15, 2009, with early adoption permitted for periods ending after March 15, 2009. We do not anticipate the implementation of this standard to have a material impact on our consolidated financial position and results of operations as our existing valuation methodology is consistent with the FASB's clarification.

In April 2009, FASB issued FASB Staff Position FAS 107-1 and APB 28-1, *Interim Disclosures about Fair Value of Financial Instruments* (FSP 107-1), which expands the fair value disclosures required for all financial instruments within the scope of FAS 107 to interim periods for publicly traded entities. The FSP also requires companies to disclose the method(s) and significant assumptions used to estimate the fair value of

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financial instruments in financial statements on an interim basis and to highlight any changes of the methods and significant assumptions from prior periods. FSP 107-1 is effective for interim and annual periods ending after June 15, 2009, with early adoption permitted for periods ending after March 15, 2009. We do not anticipate the implementation of this standard to have a material impact on our consolidated financial position and results of operations as our existing disclosures are consistent with the FASB's clarification.

In April 2009, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position FAS 115-2 and FAS 124-2, *Recognition and Presentation of Other-Than-Temporary Impairments* (FSP 115-2), which establishes a new method of recognizing and reporting OTTI of debt securities, as well as additional disclosure requirements related to debt and equity securities. Prior to the effective date of this FSP (April 1, 2009), OTTI were based on a market value decline below a security's cost basis and a corresponding adverse change in expected future cash flows due to credit related factors, as defined by EITF 99-20. Impairments were also evaluated based on whether an entity could assert the ability and intent to hold the investment until a recovery of fair value. If the entity could not make this assertion, the cost basis of the security was written down to current fair value, with the entire write-down recognized in current earnings. Under FSP 115-2, the determination of OTTI for debt securities is changed. The presence of impairment continues to be based upon a market value decline below a security's cost basis and a corresponding adverse change in expected future cash flows. However, the provisions of EITF 99-20 are amended to now consider any adverse changes in cash flows, including non-credit factors such as changes in floating interest rates. This FSP also eliminates the "ability and intent" provision and requires impairment to be considered other-than-temporary if an entity (i) intends to sell the security, (ii) will more likely than not be required to sell the security before it recovers in value, or (iii) does not expect to recover the security's amortized cost basis, even if the entity does not intend to sell the security. Under these scenarios, the impairment is other than temporary and the full amount of impairment should be recognized currently in earnings. However, if an entity does not intend to sell the impaired debt security and it is more likely than not that it will not be required to sell before recovery, the OTTI should be separated into (i) the estimated amount relating to credit loss, and (ii) the amount relating to all other factors. Only the estimated credit loss amount is recognized currently in earnings, with the remainder of the loss amount recognized in other comprehensive income.

FSP 115-2 is effective for interim and annual periods ending after June 15, 2009. Upon adoption of this FSP, a cumulative effect transition adjustment is required to reclassify the non-credit portion of any OTTI previously recorded through earnings to accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income for investments held as of the beginning of the period of adoption. The cumulative effect adjustment is determined based on the difference between the present value of the cash flows expected to be collected and the amortized cost basis of the debt security as of the beginning of the period of adoption and should include any related tax effects. The difference between the new amortized cost basis and the cash flows expected to be collected should be accreted as interest income in accordance with existing guidance. We expect that adoption of this standard will have a significant impact on our reported results for the following reasons (i) the cumulative effect adjustment of adopting the standard will be significant, and (ii) a significant portion of OTTI taken during periods prior to the effective date of this standard will no longer be recoverable through earnings in future periods. We are currently evaluating these amounts.

In April 2009, the SEC issued Staff Accounting Bulletin 111, *Other than Temporary Impairment of Certain Investments in Equity Securities* (SAB 111), which amends SAB 59 to exclude OTTI on debt securities from its scope. The SEC issued SAB 111 to align its guidance with that of the FASB and FAS 115-2, ensuring consistency in standards for determining impairments. SAB 111 is effective upon adoption of FAS 115-2.

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We have not elected the fair value option for any financial instruments that were acquired from third parties subsequent to our initial adoption of FAS 159 on January 1, 2008. We did elect the fair value option for certain ABS issued by Sequoia and acquired by Acacia as a result of the deconsolidation of certain Sequoia entities during the fourth quarter of 2008. These ABS issued had been previously eliminated as intercompany assets for financial reporting purposes. Upon recognition of these ABS, we recorded a \$7 million negative market valuation adjustment through the consolidated statement of (loss) income in accordance with our election to adopt FAS 159 for these securities.

Transition Adjustment Due to the Adoption of FAS 159 on January 1, 2008

We adopted FAS 159 on January 1, 2008, and elected to apply the fair value option for the assets (loans, securities, and unamortized deferred ABS issuance costs) and liabilities (ABS issued) of our consolidated Acacia securitization entities. We also elected the fair value option for certain securities at Redwood that we anticipated potentially selling or securitizing in the future. We did not elect the fair value option for the assets and liabilities at Sequoia, as these assets and liabilities are accounted for using similar measurement attributes (i.e., cost basis) and do not generally create substantial volatility in our earnings. We also did not elect the fair value option for most subordinate securities and other investments at Redwood, as these assets were funded with equity and are not anticipated to be funded with a combination of debt and equity in the future, or securitized. The one-time election of FAS 159 resulted in a \$1.5 billion cumulative effect transition adjustment at January 1, 2008.

As of March 31, 2009, the loans at Acacia had an aggregate fair value of \$10 million and an unpaid principal balance of \$26 million, the securities had an aggregate fair value of \$260 million and face value of \$3.1 billion, and asset-backed securities issued at Acacia had an aggregate fair value of \$291 million and an unpaid principal balance of \$3.1 billion.

Prior to the application of FAS 159, we were required to mark-to-market the assets, but not the liabilities, of Acacia entities, even

though the assets and liabilities were paired within the same legal structure and the ABS issued by each Acacia entity would be repaid directly and solely from the cash flows generated by the assets of that entity. Electing the fair value option for the assets and liabilities of Acacia enabled us to mitigate the volatility in earnings and book value that results from the use of different measurement attributes. As a result of this fair value election we de-designated all cash flow hedge accounting elections for our interest rate agreements, which reduced the complexity of accounting with regards to derivatives under FAS 133. Additionally, there was no deferred tax impact associated with the adoption since the net unrealized losses in accumulated other comprehensive loss that were reclassified to retained earnings were generated at the REIT, which distributes predominantly all of its taxable income.

Note 5. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

FAS 157 defines fair value, establishes a hierarchy of information used in measuring fair value, and enhances the disclosure of information about fair value measurements. FAS 157 provides that the "exit price" should be used to value an asset or liability, which is the price at which an asset could be sold or a liability could be transferred in an orderly process that is not a forced liquidation or distressed sale at the measurement date. FAS 157 also provides that relevant market data, to the extent available, and not internally generated or entity specific information, should be used to determine fair value.

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The following table presents the carrying values and estimated fair values of assets and liabilities that are required to be recorded or disclosed at fair value as of March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008.

(In Thousands)	March 31, 2009		December 31, 2008	
	Carrying Value	Fair Value	Carrying Value	Fair Value
Assets				
Real estate loans (held-for-investment)	\$ 4,528,220	\$ 2,595,656	\$ 4,644,734	\$ 2,618,323
Real estate loans (held-for-sale)	2,577	2,577	2,624	2,624
Real estate loans (fair value)	9,606	9,606	11,977	11,977
Trading securities	264,342	264,342	339,654	339,654
Available-for-sale securities	255,223	255,223	232,470	232,470
Other investments	61,637	61,637	78,244	78,244
Cash and equivalents	333,153	333,153	126,480	126,480
Restricted cash	51,371	51,371	53,608	53,608
Accrued interest receivable	25,561	25,561	31,415	31,415
Derivative assets	4,784	4,784	3,071	3,071
REO (included in other assets)	18,926	18,926	19,264	19,264
Liabilities				
Short-term debt	—	—	—	—
Accrued interest payable	14,697	14,697	29,417	29,417
Derivative liabilities	155,856	155,856	177,590	177,590
ABS Issued				
ABS issued – Sequoia	4,418,352	2,548,264	4,508,127	2,967,763
ABS issued – Acacia	290,645	290,645	346,931	346,931
Total ABS issued	4,708,997	2,838,909	4,855,058	3,314,694
Long-term debt	150,000	42,000	150,000	41,628

FAS 157 requires us to estimate and disclose fair values based on the following three-level hierarchy that prioritizes market inputs.

Level 1: Observable inputs that reflect quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.

Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability either directly or through corroboration with observable market data.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs (e.g., an entity's own data or assumptions).

Level 3 inputs include unobservable inputs that are used when there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability measured at fair value. In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, the level in which the fair value measurement in its entirety falls is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Our assessment of the significance of a particular input requires judgment and considers factors specific to the asset or liability being measured.

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The following table presents assets and liabilities recorded at fair value on our consolidated balance sheet on a recurring basis and indicates the fair value hierarchy of the valuation techniques used to measure fair value.

Assets and Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis as of March 31, 2009

(In Thousands)	Carrying Value	Fair Value Measurements Using		
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Assets				
Real estate loans	\$ 9,606	—	\$ —	\$ 9,606
Trading securities	264,342	—	—	264,342
Available-for-sale securities	255,223	—	—	255,223
Other investments	61,637	—	61,637	—
Derivative assets	4,784	—	4,514	270
Liabilities				
ABS issued – Acacia	290,645	—	—	290,645
Derivative liabilities	155,856	—	94,311	61,545

Assets and Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis as of December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)	Carrying Value	Fair Value Measurements Using		
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Assets				
Real estate loans	\$ 11,977	—	\$ —	\$ 11,977
Trading securities	339,654	—	—	339,654
Available-for-sale securities	232,470	—	—	232,470
Other investments	78,244	—	78,244	—
Derivative assets	3,071	—	2,829	242
Liabilities				
ABS issued – Acacia	346,931	—	—	346,931
Derivative liabilities	177,590	—	99,698	77,892

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Note 5. Fair Value of Financial Instruments – (continued)

The following table presents additional information about the assets and liabilities recorded at fair value on our consolidated balance sheet on a recurring basis for which Level 3 inputs were used.

Changes in Level 3 Assets and Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

Three Months Ended March 31, 2009 (In Thousands)	Beginning Balance 12/31/2008	Principal Paydowns	Gains (Losses) Included in		Purchases, Sales, Other Settlements and Issuances, Net	Ending Balance 3/31/2009
			Net Loss	Other Comprehensive Loss		
Assets						
Real estate loans	\$ 11,977	\$ (125)	\$ (2,246)	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 9,606
Trading securities	339,654	(28,571)	(46,425)	—	(316)	264,342
Available-for-sale securities	232,470	(18,588)	(29,035)	(31,644)	102,020	255,223
Derivative assets	242	—	160	—	(132)	270
Liabilities						
ABS issued – Acacia	346,931	(28,834)	(31,689)	—	4,237	290,645
Derivative liabilities	77,892	—	(271)	—	(16,076)	61,545

Three Months Ended March 31, 2008 (In Thousands)	Beginning Balance 1/1/2008 ⁽¹⁾	Principal Paydowns	Gains (Losses) Included in		Purchases, Sales, Other Settlements and Issuances, Net	Ending Balance 3/31/2008
			Net Loss	Other Comprehensive Loss		
Assets						
Real estate loans	\$ 25,426	\$ (116)	\$ (4,660)	\$ (1,849)	\$ —	\$ 18,801
Trading securities	1,804,511	(57,298)	(797,980)	—	3,343	952,576
Available-for-sale securities	317,090	(17,936)	(133,058)	21,017	54,917	242,030
Derivative assets	114	—	31	—	(75)	70
Liabilities						
ABS issued – Acacia	1,893,441	(37,440)	(809,841)	—	—	1,046,160
Derivative liabilities	57,397	—	17,809	—	(2,707)	72,499

(1) Beginning balance reflects the adoption of FAS 159 on January 1, 2008.

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The following table presents the portion of gains or losses included in our consolidated statement of (loss) income that were attributable to Level 3 assets and liabilities recorded at fair value on a recurring basis and still held at March 31, 2009 and 2008. Gains or losses incurred on assets or liabilities sold or otherwise disposed of during the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008 are not included in this presentation.

Portion of Gains or (Losses) Attributable to Level 3 Assets and Liabilities Still Held at March 31, 2009 and 2008 Included in Net Loss

(In Thousands)	Included in Net Loss Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2009	March 31, 2008
Assets		
Real estate loans	\$ (2,246)	\$ (4,660)
Trading securities	(46,471)	(794,133)
Available-for-sale securities	(29,035)	(143,922)
Derivative assets	160	31
Liabilities		
ABS issued – Acacia	31,689	809,841
Derivative liabilities	271	(14,604)

The following table presents assets and liabilities recorded at fair value on a non-recurring basis and indicates the fair value hierarchy of the valuation techniques used to measure fair value.

Assets and Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Non-Recurring Basis as of March 31, 2009

(In Thousands)	Carrying Value	Fair Value Measurements Using			Gain (Loss) Three Months Ended March 31, 2009
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
		Assets			
Real estate loans (held-for-sale)	\$ 2,577	—	—	\$ 2,577	\$ (21)
REO	18,926	—	—	18,926	(765)

Assets and Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Non-Recurring Basis as of December 31, 2008

(In Thousands)	Carrying Value	Fair Value Measurements Using		
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
		Assets		
Real estate loans (held-for-sale)	\$ 2,624	—	—	\$ 2,624
REO	19,264	—	—	19,264

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The following table presents the components of market valuation adjustments, net, recorded in our consolidated statements of (loss) income for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008.

Market Valuation Adjustments, Net

(In Thousands)	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2009	2008
Assets		
Real estate loans (fair value)	\$ (2,246)	\$ (4,660)
Real estate loans (held-for-sale)	(786)	(860)
Trading securities	(46,425)	(797,979)

Impairments on AFS securities	(29,035)	(144,098)
Liabilities		
ABS issued – Acacia	31,689	809,841
Derivative instruments, net	3,561	(56,176)
Market Valuation Adjustments, Net	<u>\$ (43,242)</u>	<u>\$ (193,932)</u>

A description of the instruments measured at fair value under FAS 157 as well as the general classification of such instruments pursuant to the valuation hierarchy described above under FAS 157 is listed below.

- Real estate loans
 - Residential real estate loan fair values are determined by available market quotes and discounted cash flow analyses (Level 3).
 - Commercial real estate loan fair values are determined by available market quotes and discounted cash flow analyses (Level 3).
- Real estate securities
 - Real estate securities are residential, commercial, CDO, and other asset-backed securities that are illiquid in nature and trade infrequently. Fair values are determined by discounted cash flow analyses and other valuation techniques using market pricing assumptions that are confirmed by third party dealer/pricing indications, to the extent available. Significant inputs in the valuation analysis are predominantly Level 3 in nature, due to the lack of readily available market quotes and related inputs. Relevant market indicators that are factored in the analyses include bid/ask spreads, credit losses, interest rates, and prepayment speeds. Estimated fair values are based on applying the market indicators to generate discounted cash flows. (Level 3).
- Other investments
 - Other investments currently include a GIC. Management considers the GIC's fair value to approximate its contract value, as the GIC earns a variable interest rate of LIBOR less 5 basis points and resets on a monthly basis (Level 2).
- Derivative assets and liabilities
 - Our derivative instruments include interest rate agreements and credit default swaps. Fair values of derivative instruments are determined using valuation models and are verified by valuations provided by dealers active in derivative markets. Valuation models require a variety of inputs, including contractual terms, market prices, yield curves, credit curves, measures of volatility, prepayment rates, and correlations of such inputs. Model inputs for interest rate agreements can

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generally be verified and model selection does not involve significant management judgment (Level 2). For other derivatives, valuations are based on various factors such as liquidity, bid/offer spreads, and credit considerations for which we rely on available market evidence. In the absence of such evidence, management's best estimate is used (Level 3).

- Cash and cash equivalents
 - Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand and highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less. Fair values equal carrying values.
- Restricted cash
 - Restricted cash primarily includes interest-earning cash balances in ABS entities and the Fund for the purpose of distribution to bondholders or limited partners, and reinvestment. Due to the short-term nature of the restrictions, fair values approximate carrying values.
- Accrued interest receivable and payable
 - Accrued interest receivable and payable includes interest due on our assets and payable on our liabilities. Due to the short-term nature of when these interest payments will be received or paid, fair values approximate carrying values.
- Short-term debt
 - Short-term debt includes our credit facilities that mature within one year. Short-term debt is generally at an adjustable rate. Fair values approximate carrying values.
- ABS issued
 - ABS issued includes asset-backed securities issued through our Sequoia and Acacia programs. These instruments are illiquid in nature and trade infrequently, if at all. Fair values are determined by discounted cash flow analyses and other valuation techniques using market pricing assumptions that are confirmed by third party dealer/pricing indications, to the extent available. Significant inputs in the valuation analysis are predominantly Level 3, due to the nature of these instruments and the lack of readily available market quotes. Relevant market indicators factored into the analyses include dealer price indications to the extent available, bid/ask spreads, external spreads, collateral credit losses, interest rates and collateral prepayment speeds. Estimated fair values are based on applying the market indicators to generate discounted cash flows (Level 3).
- Long-term debt
 - Long-term debt includes our subordinated notes and trust preferred securities. Fair values are determined using comparable market indicators of current pricing. Significant inputs in the valuation analysis are predominantly Level 3 due to the nature of these instruments and the lack of readily available market quotes. Estimated fair values are based on applying the market indicators to generate discounted cash flows (Level 3).
- REO
 - REO includes properties owned in satisfaction of foreclosed loans. Fair values are determined using available market quotes, appraisals, broker price opinions, comparable properties, or other indications of value (Level 3).

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Note 6. Real Estate Loans

We invest in residential and commercial real estate loans that we acquire from third party originators. We finance these loans through the Sequoia and Acacia entities that we sponsor or with equity.

The following table summarizes the classifications and carrying value of the residential and commercial real estate loans reported on our consolidated balance sheets at March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008.

(In Thousands)	March 31, 2009	December 31, 2008
Residential real estate loans (held-for-sale)	\$ 2,577	\$ 2,624
Residential real estate loans (held-for-investment)	4,527,972	4,644,486
Commercial real estate loans (fair value)	9,606	11,977
Commercial real estate loans (held-for-investment)	248	249
Total Real Estate Loans	<u>\$4,540,403</u>	<u>\$ 4,659,336</u>

Residential Real Estate Loans Held-for-Sale

Residential real estate loans held-for-sale are owned with equity. At March 31, 2009, there were 15 residential loans held-for-sale with \$5 million in outstanding principal value and a lower of cost or fair value of \$3 million. At December 31, 2008, there were 15 residential loans held-for-sale with \$5 million in outstanding principal value and a lower of cost or fair value of \$3 million.

Residential Real Estate Loans Held-for-Investment

Residential real estate loans held-for-investment are owned at Sequoia entities that we consolidate for financial reporting purposes. The following table provides additional information on residential real estate loans held-for-investment at March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008.

Residential Real Estate Loans Held-for-Investment

(In Thousands)	March 31, 2009	December 31, 2008
Principal value	\$ 4,515,744	\$ 4,612,564
Unamortized premium, net	60,175	67,635
Allowance for loan losses	(47,947)	(35,713)
Carrying Value	<u>\$ 4,527,972</u>	<u>\$ 4,644,486</u>

Of the \$4.5 billion of principal face and \$60 million of unamortized premium on these loans at March 31, 2009, \$2.0 billion of principal face and \$41 million of unamortized premium relates to residential loans acquired prior to July 1, 2004. During the first quarter of 2009, 2% of these residential loans prepaid and we amortized 14% of the premium based upon the accounting elections we apply. For residential loans acquired after July 1, 2004, the principal face was \$2.5 billion and the unamortized premium was \$19 million at March 31, 2009. During the first quarter of 2009, 2% of these residential loans prepaid and we amortized 4% of the premium.

Of the \$4.6 billion of principal face and \$68 million of unamortized premium on these loans at December 31, 2008, \$2.0 billion of principal face and \$48 million of unamortized premium relates to residential loans acquired prior to July 1, 2004, and \$2.6 billion of principal face and \$20 million of unamortized premium relates to residential loans acquired after July 1, 2004.

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Commercial Real Estate Loans at Fair Value

Commercial real estate loans at fair value are owned at Acacia entities that we consolidate for financial reporting purposes. On January 1, 2008, we elected the fair value option under FAS 159 for loans at Acacia and record them at their estimated fair values. Prior to 2008, these loans were classified as held-for-investment. At March 31, 2009, there were five commercial loans at fair value, none of which are delinquent, with an outstanding principal value of \$26 million and a fair value of \$10 million.

Commercial Real Estate Loans Held-for-Investment

Commercial real estate loans held-for-investment are owned with equity. The following table provides additional information on commercial real estate loans held-for-investment as of March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008.

Commercial Real Estate Loans Held-for-Investment

(In Thousands)	March 31, 2009	December 31, 2008
Principal value	\$ 11,096	\$ 11,098
Unamortized discount	(359)	(360)
Discount designated as credit reserve	(8,141)	(8,141)
Allowance for loan losses	(2,348)	(2,348)
Carrying Value	<u>\$ 248</u>	<u>\$ 249</u>

At March 31, 2009, there were two commercial loans held-for-investment with \$11 million in outstanding principal value and a carrying value of \$0.2 million. During the first quarter of 2007, we fully reserved for an anticipated loss on a \$10 million mezzanine commercial loan, which was originated to finance a condominium-conversion project. We do not expect to recover any outstanding principal upon completion and sale of the condominium units, and thus maintained the reserve as of March 31, 2009.

Note 7. Allowance for Loan Losses

We establish an allowance for loan losses on our residential and commercial loans held-for-investment based on our estimate of losses incurred in these loan portfolios.

Activity in the Allowance for Losses on Residential Loans

At March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008, all residential loans classified as held-for-investment were owned by Sequoia entities. The following table summarizes the activity in the allowance for loan losses on residential loans held-for-investment for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008.

(In Thousands)	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2009	2008
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 35,713	\$ 18,282
Charge-offs, net	(3,798)	(1,896)
Provision for credit losses	16,032	8,058
Balance at End of Period	<u>\$ 47,947</u>	<u>\$ 24,444</u>

Serious delinquencies on consolidated Sequoia loans were \$158 million and \$84 million as of March 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Serious delinquencies include loans delinquent more than 90 days and in foreclosure. As a percentage of current loan balances, serious delinquencies were 3.50% and 1.25% at March 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

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When foreclosure is pursued in full satisfaction for a defaulted loan, we estimate the specific loan loss, if any, based on estimated net proceeds from the sale of the property (including accrued but unpaid interest and other costs), and charge this specific estimated loss against the allowance for loan losses. During the first quarter of 2009, there were \$4 million of charge-offs that reduced our allowance for loan losses. These charge-offs arose from \$15 million of defaulted loan principal. Foreclosed property is subsequently recorded as REO, a component of other assets. Subsequent declines in the value of an REO property below its cost basis are recorded in our consolidated statements of (loss) income as a component of market valuation adjustments, net. We had \$1 million of negative market valuation adjustments during the first quarter of 2009 stemming from a decrease in the fair value of REO.

Activity in the Allowance for Losses on Commercial Loans

There was no activity in the allowance for loan losses for our commercial loans for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008.

Note 8. Real Estate Securities

We invest in third party residential, commercial, and CDO securities. The following table presents the fair values of our real estate securities by collateral type and entity as of March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008.

March 31, 2009 (In Thousands)	Redwood	The Fund	Acacia	Total Securities
Residential	\$ 195,698	\$ 31,231	\$ 202,440	\$ 429,369

Commercial	22,915	—	42,520	65,435
CDO	2,657	7,030	15,074	24,761
Total Real Estate Securities	\$ 221,270	\$ 38,261	\$ 260,034	\$ 519,565
December 31, 2008	Redwood	The Fund	Acacia	Total Securities
(In Thousands)				
Residential	\$ 144,885	\$ 36,172	\$ 244,523	\$ 425,580
Commercial	42,490	—	67,889	110,379
CDO	3,610	11,318	21,237	36,165
Total Real Estate Securities	\$ 190,985	\$ 47,490	\$ 333,649	\$ 572,124

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The following table presents our securities by trading and AFS, collateral type, and entity as of March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008. We present this information by senior and subordinate interests. Senior interests are those interests in a securitization that have the first right to cash flows and are last in line to absorb losses. Subordinate interests are all interests below senior interests and may not necessarily be in a first-loss position.

March 31, 2009 (In Thousands)	Trading			AFS		
	Redwood	Acacia	Total	Redwood	The Fund	Total
Senior Securities						
Residential prime	\$ —	\$ 3,389	\$ 3,389	\$ 87,766	\$ —	\$ 87,766
Residential non-prime	711	85,347	86,058	73,672	22,386	96,058
Commercial	—	7,800	7,800	—	—	—
Total Senior Securities	711	96,536	97,247	161,438	22,386	183,824
Subordinate Securities						
Residential prime	692	37,063	37,755	28,320	—	28,320
Residential non-prime	273	76,641	76,914	4,264	8,845	13,109
Commercial	—	34,720	34,720	22,915	—	22,915
CDO	2,632	15,074	17,706	25	7,030	7,055
Total Subordinate Securities	3,597	163,498	167,095	55,524	15,875	71,399
Total Real Estate Securities	\$ 4,308	\$ 260,034	\$ 264,342	\$ 216,962	\$ 38,261	\$ 255,223
December 31, 2008						
(In Thousands)						
Senior Securities						
Residential prime	\$ 60	\$ 11,934	\$ 11,994	\$ 50,904	\$ —	\$ 50,904
Residential non-prime	905	90,638	91,543	41,915	26,531	68,446
Commercial	—	7,540	7,540	—	—	—
Total Senior Securities	965	110,112	111,077	92,819	26,531	119,350
Subordinate Securities						
Residential prime	1,141	44,983	46,124	42,646	—	42,646
Residential non-prime	314	96,968	97,282	7,000	9,641	16,641
Commercial	—	60,349	60,349	42,490	—	42,490
CDO	3,585	21,237	24,822	25	11,318	11,343
Total Subordinate Securities	5,040	223,537	228,577	92,161	20,959	113,120
Total Real Estate Securities	\$ 6,005	\$ 333,649	\$ 339,654	\$ 184,980	\$ 47,490	\$ 232,470

We finance securities using equity as well as through our investments in the Fund and Acacia entities that we consolidate. Securities owned at the Fund and Acacia entities are pledged to those entities.

AFS Securities

When we purchase a credit-sensitive AFS security at a significant discount to its face value, we often do not amortize into income a significant portion of this discount that we are entitled to earn but do not expect to collect due to the inherent credit risk of the security. We may also expense a portion of our investment in the security to the extent we believe that principal losses will exceed the purchase discount. The amount of

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principal face that we do not amortize into income is designated as a credit reserve on the security, with any remaining net unamortized discounts or premiums amortized into income over time using the interest method in accordance with EITF 99-20.

The following table presents the carrying value (which equals fair value) of AFS securities as of March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008.

March 31, 2009 (In Thousands)	Residential	Commercial	CDO	Total
	Current face	\$ 1,141,994	\$ 512,117	\$ 89,256
Credit reserve	(601,864)	(497,784)	(86,962)	(1,186,610)
Net unamortized (discount) premium	(254,228)	13,798	8,240	(232,190)
Amortized cost	285,902	28,131	10,534	324,567
Gross unrealized gains	3,756	1,998	—	5,754
Gross unrealized losses	(64,405)	(7,214)	(3,479)	(75,098)
Carrying Value	\$ 225,253	\$ 22,915	\$ 7,055	\$ 255,223
December 31, 2008				
(In Thousands)				
Current face	\$ 1,146,071	\$ 514,169	\$ 92,522	\$ 1,752,762
Credit reserve	(731,468)	(497,047)	(59,828)	(1,288,343)
Net unamortized (discount) premium	(211,262)	35,069	(18,056)	(194,249)
Amortized cost	203,341	52,191	14,638	270,170
Gross unrealized gains	7,989	2,308	19	10,316
Gross unrealized losses	(32,693)	(12,009)	(3,314)	(48,016)
Carrying Value	\$ 178,637	\$ 42,490	\$ 11,343	\$ 232,470

The following table presents the changes for the three months ended March 31, 2009, of the unamortized discount and designated credit reserves on AFS securities.

Changes in Unamortized Discount and Designated Credit Reserves on AFS Securities

Three Months Ended March 31, 2009 (In Thousands)	Residential		Commercial		CDO	
	Credit Reserve	Unamortized Discount Net	Credit Reserve	Unamortized Discount Net	Credit Reserve	Unamortized Discount Net
Beginning balance – January 1, 2009	\$ 731,468	\$ 211,262	\$ 497,047	\$ (35,069)	\$ 59,828	\$ 18,056
Amortization of net discount	—	(8,857)	—	4,050	—	(109)
Realized credit losses	(136,522)	—	(2,052)	—	(3,000)	—
Acquisitions	327	57,626	—	—	—	—
Sales, calls, other	(3,810)	(537)	—	—	58	—
Impairments	5,135	—	20,010	—	3,889	—
Transfers/release of credit reserves	5,266	(5,266)	(17,221)	17,221	26,187	(26,187)

Ending Balance – March 31, 2009	\$ 601,864	\$ 254,228	\$497,784	\$ (13,798)	\$86,962	\$ (8,240)
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The loans underlying our residential subordinate securities totaled \$110 billion at March 31, 2009, and consist of \$94 billion prime and \$16 billion non-prime loans. These loans are located nationwide with a large concentration in California (46%). Serious delinquencies (90+ days, in foreclosure or REO) at March 31, 2009 were 5.22% of current principal balances. For loans in prime pools, serious delinquencies were 2.44% of current balances. For loans in non-prime pools, serious delinquencies were 21.75% of current balances.

The loans underlying our commercial subordinate securities totaled \$48 billion at March 31, 2009, and consist primarily of office (39%), retail (28%), and multifamily (16%) commercial loans. These loans are located nationwide. Serious delinquencies (60+ days and in foreclosure or REO) at March 31, 2009 were 1.41% of current principal balances.

The following table presents the components comprising the carrying value of AFS securities that were in an unrealized loss position and not deemed to be other-than-temporarily impaired as of March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008.

AFS Securities with Unrealized Losses

March 31, 2009 (In Thousands)	Less Than 12 Consecutive Months			12 Consecutive Months or Longer		
	Total Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Losses	Total Fair Value	Total Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Losses	Total Fair Value
Residential	\$267,741	\$ (63,615)	\$204,126	\$ 1,831	\$ (790)	\$ 1,041
Commercial	18,480	(7,214)	11,266	—	—	—
CDO	6,297	(3,479)	2,818	—	—	—
Total Securities	\$292,518	\$ (74,308)	\$218,210	\$ 1,831	\$ (790)	\$ 1,041

December 31, 2008 (In Thousands)	Less Than 12 Consecutive Months			12 Consecutive Months or Longer		
	Total Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Losses	Total Fair Value	Total Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Losses	Total Fair Value
Residential	\$ 100,635	\$ (32,693)	\$ 67,942	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Commercial	38,001	(12,009)	25,992	—	—	—
CDO	14,351	(3,314)	11,037	—	—	—
Total Securities	\$ 152,987	\$ (48,016)	\$ 104,971	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —

Of the \$75 million of unrealized losses at March 31, 2009, \$20 million relates to securities owned at the Fund.

At March 31, 2009, our consolidated balance sheets included 616 AFS securities, of which 247 were in an unrealized loss position and eight were in an unrealized loss position for twelve consecutive months or longer. At December 31, 2008, our consolidated balance sheets included 594 AFS securities, of which 194 were in an unrealized loss position and none were in a continuous loss position for twelve months or longer. The number of AFS securities reported on our consolidated balance sheets increased as a result of acquisitions during the quarter.

For the three months ended March 31, 2009, we recognized other-than-temporary impairments on AFS securities of \$29 million, through market valuation adjustments, net, in our consolidated statements of (loss) income. For the three months ended March 31, 2008, we recognized other-than-temporary impairments of \$144 million.

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Gross Realized Gains and Losses

Gains and losses from the sale of AFS securities are recorded to realized gains (losses) on sales and calls, net, in our consolidated statements of (loss) income. The following table presents the gross realized gains on sales and calls of AFS securities for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008.

(In Thousands)	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2009	2008
Gross realized gains – sales	\$ 337	\$ —
Gross realized gains – calls	—	42
Total Realized Gains on Sales and Calls	\$ 337	\$ 42

Note 9. Other Investments

Other investments include a GIC owned by an Acacia securitization entity and recorded on our consolidated balance sheets at its estimated fair value. This GIC represents a deposit certificate issued by a rated investment bank and serves as collateral to cover realized losses on CDS entered into by this same Acacia entity. The CDS references residential mortgage-backed securities issued in 2006 that were initially A and BBB-rated. The fair value of the GIC was \$62 million as of March 31, 2009, which is equal to its carrying value. The GIC has been drawn down by \$18 million since its acquisition to cover credit losses and principal reductions on the referenced securities.

Note 10. Derivative Financial Instruments

We report our derivative financial instruments at fair value as determined using third-party models and confirmed by broker/dealers that make markets in these instruments.

The following table shows the aggregate fair value and notional amount of our derivative financial instruments as of March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008.

(In Thousands)	March 31, 2009		December 31, 2008	
	Fair Value	Notional Amount	Fair Value	Notional Amount
Interest rate caps purchased	\$ 3,455	\$ 712,400	\$ 1,683	\$ 714,400
Interest rate caps sold	—	—	(1,084)	250,000
Interest rate swaps	(92,982)	975,834	(97,226)	1,013,781
Credit default swaps	(61,545)	61,604	(77,892)	78,206
Total Derivative Financial Instruments	\$ (151,072)	\$ 1,749,838	\$ (174,519)	\$ 2,056,387

Of the negative \$151 million value of derivative financial instruments at March 31, 2009, \$5 million was recorded as derivative assets and \$156 million was recorded as derivative liabilities on our consolidated balance sheet. Of the negative \$175 million value of derivative financial instruments at December 31, 2008, \$3 million was recorded as derivative assets and \$178 million was recorded as derivative liabilities on our consolidated balance sheet.

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Note 10. Derivative Financial Instruments – (continued)

Interest Rate Agreements

We currently account for our interest rate agreements as trading instruments in accordance with FAS 133. Changes in the fair value of the interest rate agreements and all associated income and expenses are reported in our consolidated statements of (loss) income as a component of market valuation adjustments, net. We had net valuation adjustments on interest rate agreements of positive \$3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2009, and negative \$38 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008.

We did not have any interest rate agreements designated as cash flow hedges during the three months ended March 31, 2009. For interest rate agreements previously designated as cash flow hedges, our total unrealized loss included in accumulated other comprehensive loss was negative \$26 million at March 31, 2009 and negative \$27 million at December 31, 2008.

For both the three months ending March 31, 2008 and 2009, we reclassified \$1 million of previously designated cash flow hedge other comprehensive loss to interest expense.

Credit Derivatives

All of our existing CDS contracts were initiated during 2007 by an Acacia securitization entity that we have consolidated for financial reporting purposes. As the seller of these contracts we receive a fixed-rate premium and have assumed the credit risk of the reference securities.

These CDS are accounted for as trading instruments. The estimated fair values of these contracts fluctuate for a variety of reasons, such as the likelihood or occurrence of a specific credit event, the market perception of default risk and counterparty risk, and supply and demand changes. A qualifying credit event, defined as an interest shortfall, a failure to pay principal, or a distressed rating downgrade, may trigger Acacia as the seller of protection to compensate the counterparty (which it does so by drawing down on the GIC it owns). During the three months ended March 31, 2009 the reference securities underlying our CDS experienced principal losses resulting in a \$17 million obligation. During the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, the fair value of these CDS increased less than \$1 million and decreased \$18 million, respectively.

The following table presents the fair value of our CDS along with certain risk characteristics as of March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008. All of these CDS have expiration dates of greater than 15 years.

(In Thousands)	March 31, 2009		December 31, 2008	
	Fair Value	Maximum Payout/Notional Amount	Fair Value	Maximum Payout/Notional Amount
Credit rating of referenced securities				
BB/B	\$ —	\$ —	\$ (9,943)	\$ 9,967
CCC/CC/C	(61,545)	61,604	(67,949)	68,239
Total	\$ (61,545)	\$ 61,604	\$ (77,892)	\$ 78,206

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Note 10. Derivative Financial Instruments – (continued)

Counterparty Credit Risk

We incur credit risk to the extent that counterparties to our derivative financial instruments do not perform their obligations under specified contractual agreements. If a derivative counterparty does not perform, we may not receive the proceeds to which we may be entitled under these agreements. To mitigate this risk, we enter into agreements that are either a) transacted on a national exchange or b) transacted with counterparties that are either i) designated by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York as a primary government dealer, ii) affiliates of primary government dealers, or iii) rated A or higher. We also attempt to transact with several different counterparties in order to reduce our specific counterparty exposure. We consider counterparty risk as part of our fair value assessments of all derivative financial instruments.

As of March 31, 2009, Redwood and its affiliates had nineteen International Swaps and Derivatives Association (ISDA) agreements with ten different bank counterparties. We had one open derivative position at March 31, 2009, and were in compliance with our ISDA counterparty.

Note 11. Other Assets

Other assets as of March 31, 2009, and December 31, 2008, are summarized in the following table.

(In Thousands)	March 31, 2009	December 31, 2008
REO	\$ 18,926	\$ 19,264
Fixed assets and leasehold improvements	4,732	5,103
Principal receivable	633	1,647
Income tax receivables	3,452	4,225
Prepaid expenses	1,361	9,119
Other	3,150	4,584
Total Other Assets	\$ 32,254	\$ 43,942

REO consists of foreclosed properties received in full satisfaction of defaulted real estate loans. The carrying value of REO at March 31, 2009, was \$19 million, of which \$9 million related to transfers into REO in the first quarter of 2009, offset by \$8 million of REO liquidations, and \$1 million of negative market valuation adjustments during this same period. The carrying value of REO as of December 31, 2008 was \$19 million, of which \$38 million related to transfers into REO during 2008, offset by \$21 million of REO liquidations, \$8 million of negative valuation changes, and \$5 million of REO derecognized as a result of our deconsolidations of certain Sequoia entities.

At March 31, 2009, there were 95 single-family properties recorded on our balance sheet, of which, 92 were owned at Sequoia and 3 were owned at Redwood. At December 31, 2008, there were 93 single-family properties recorded on our balance sheet, of which, 90 were owned at Sequoia and 3 were owned at Redwood. The states of California, Ohio, Georgia, and Michigan accounted for 60% of our REO balance at March 31, 2009.

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Note 12. Asset-Backed Securities Issued

The Sequoia and Acacia securitization entities that we sponsor issue ABS to acquire assets from us and from third parties. Each series of ABS issued consists of various classes that pay interest on a monthly or quarterly basis. Substantially all ABS issued pay variable rates of interest, which are indexed to one, three, or six-month LIBOR. Some ABS issued pay fixed rates of interest or pay hybrid rates, which are fixed rates that subsequently adjust to variable rates. ABS issued also include some interest-only classes with coupons set at a fixed-rate or a fixed spread, or set at a spread to the interest rates earned on the assets, less the interest rates paid on the liabilities of a securitization entity.

The components of ABS issued by consolidated securitization entities we sponsor as of March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008, along with other selected information, are summarized in the following table.

(In Thousands)	March 31, 2009			December 31, 2008		
	Sequoia	Acacia	Total	Sequoia	Acacia	Total
Certificates with principal value	\$ 4,396,893	\$ 3,108,914	\$ 7,505,807	\$ 4,485,201	\$ 3,134,699	\$ 7,619,900
Interest-only certificates	22,400	—	22,400	23,532	—	23,532
Unamortized premium	3,662	—	3,662	4,003	—	4,003
Unamortized discount	(4,603)	—	(4,603)	(4,609)	—	(4,609)
Fair value adjustment, net	—	(2,818,269)	(2,818,269)	—	(2,787,768)	(2,787,768)
Total ABS Issued	\$ 4,418,352	\$ 290,645	\$ 4,708,997	\$ 4,508,127	\$ 346,931	\$ 4,855,058
Range of weighted average interest rates, by series	0.67% to 5.93%	1.76% to 2.25%		1.65% to 5.93%	2.44% to 5.23%	
Stated maturities	2024 – 2047	2039 – 2052		2024 – 2047	2039 – 2052	
Number of series	37	10		37	10	

The maturity of each class of ABS issued is primarily determined by the rate of principal prepayments on the assets of the issuing entity. Each series is also subject to redemption (call) according to the specific terms of the respective governing documents. As a result, the actual maturity of ABS issued will often occur earlier than its stated maturity. As of March 31, 2009, all of the \$4.7 billion reported value of ABS issued (\$7.5 billion principal value) had contractual maturities of over five years.

Amortization of Sequoia deferred ABS issuance costs was less than \$1 million and \$2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

The following table summarizes the accrued interest payable on ABS issued as of March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008. Interest due on Sequoia ABS issued is settled monthly and interest due on Acacia ABS issued is settled quarterly.

(In Thousands)	March 31, 2009	December 31, 2008
Sequoia	\$ 6,120	\$ 7,326
Acacia	7,721	20,615
Total Accrued Interest Payable on ABS Issued	\$ 13,841	\$ 27,941

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Note 12. Asset-Backed Securities Issued – (continued)

The following table summarizes the carrying value components of the collateral for ABS issued and outstanding as of March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008.

(In Thousands)	March 31, 2009			December 31, 2008		
	Sequoia	Acacia	Total	Sequoia	Acacia	Total
Real estate loans	\$4,527,972	\$ 9,606	\$4,537,578	\$4,644,486	\$ 11,977	\$ 4,656,463
Real estate securities	—	332,080	332,080	—	407,526	407,526
Other investments	—	61,637	61,637	—	78,244	78,244
Real estate owned (REO)	18,179	—	18,179	18,428	—	18,428
Restricted cash	267	47,106	47,373	283	48,298	48,581
Accrued interest receivable	13,658	6,228	19,886	17,884	7,484	25,368
Total Collateral for ABS Issued	\$4,560,076	\$ 456,657	\$5,016,733	\$4,681,081	\$ 553,529	\$ 5,234,610

Note 13. Long-Term Debt

In 2006, we issued \$100 million of trust preferred securities through Redwood Capital Trust I, a wholly-owned Delaware statutory trust, in a private placement transaction. These trust preferred securities require quarterly distributions at a floating coupon rate equal to three-month LIBOR plus 2.25% until the notes are redeemed in whole, which will be no later than January 30, 2037. The weighted average interest rate on our trust preferred securities was 4.91% and 6.93%, for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. The earliest optional redemption date without penalty is January 30, 2012.

In 2007, we issued an additional \$50 million of subordinated notes, which require quarterly distributions at a floating interest rate equal to three-month LIBOR plus 2.25% until the notes are redeemed in whole, which will be no later than July 30, 2037. The weighted average interest rate on our subordinated notes was 4.91% and 6.93%, for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. The earliest optional redemption date without a penalty is July 30, 2012.

At both March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008, the accrued interest payable balance on long-term Redwood debt was \$1 million. There are no financial covenants associated with our long-term debt.

Note 14. Commitments and Contingencies

As of March 31, 2009, we were obligated under non-cancelable operating leases with expiration dates through 2018 for \$13 million. The majority of the future lease obligations relates to a ten-year operating lease for our executive office that expires in 2013 and a lease for additional space that expires in 2018. The total payments required under these leases are recognized as office rent expense on a straight-line basis over the lease terms. Operating lease expense was less than \$1 million for both the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008.

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Note 14. Commitments and Contingencies – (continued)

The following table presents our future lease commitments as of March 31, 2009.

(In Thousands)	March 31, 2009
2009	\$ 1,281
2010	1,709
2011	1,831
2012	1,882
2013	1,439
2014 and thereafter	5,253
Total	\$ 13,395

Leasehold improvements for our offices are amortized into expense over the ten-year lease term, expiring in 2013. The

unamortized leasehold improvement balance at both March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008 was \$4 million.

At March 31, 2009, there are no material pending legal proceedings to which we or any of our subsidiaries is a party or of which our property is the subject.

Note 15. Equity

Earnings Per Share

The following table provides the basic and diluted (loss) earnings per share computations for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008.

Basic and Diluted (Loss) Earnings Per Share

In Thousands, Except Share Data	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2009	2008
Net (loss) income attributable to Redwood Trust, Inc.	\$ (34,944)	\$ (171,587)
Basic weighted average shares outstanding	53,632,132	32,511,445
Net effect of dilutive stock options	—	—
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding	53,632,132	32,511,445
Basic (Loss) Earnings Per Share:	\$ (0.65)	\$ (5.28)
Diluted (Loss) Earnings Per Share:	\$ (0.65)	\$ (5.28)

For the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, there were no dilutive equity awards based on our reported net loss for these periods. For the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, the number of outstanding equity awards that were antidilutive totaled 1,009,291, and 1,319,346, respectively. There were no other participating securities during these periods.

Stock Repurchases

We announced a stock repurchase authorization in November 2007 for the repurchase of up to 5,000,000 common shares. This plan replaced all previous share repurchase plans and has no expiration date. During the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, there were no shares acquired under this plan. As of March 31, 2009, there remained 4,658,344 shares available for repurchase under this plan.

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Note 15. Equity – (continued)

Noncontrolling Interest

Noncontrolling interest represents the aggregate limited partnership (LP) interests in the Fund held by third parties. As of March 31, 2009, the noncontrolling interest was \$18 million, representing a 48% third party interest in the Fund. Income allocated to the noncontrolling interest is based on the third party LP ownership percentage. The ownership percentage is determined by dividing the number of units held by third party LP investors by the total units outstanding. Subsequent changes, if any, in our ownership percentage would be treated as equity transactions and result in a reallocation between shareholders' equity and noncontrolling interest in our consolidated balance sheets.

Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss

The following table provides a summary of the components of accumulated other comprehensive loss as of March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008.

(In Thousands)	March 31, 2009	December 31, 2008
Net unrealized loss on real estate securities	\$ (69,344)	\$ (37,702)
Reclassification of unrealized loss to noncontrolling interest	9,706	7,764
Net unrealized loss on interest rate agreements accounted for as cash flow hedges	(25,829)	(26,927)
Total Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	\$ (85,467)	\$ (56,865)

At March 31, 2009, the net unrealized loss on AFS securities was \$69 million, as compared to a net unrealized loss of \$38 million at December 31, 2008. During the first quarter of 2009, \$14 million of net unrealized loss was reclassified to earnings upon recognition of OTTI, and \$44 million of additional fair value declines in securities were recognized as unrealized losses. The net effect of these adjustments was an increase in accumulated other comprehensive loss of \$31 million during the quarter. A portion of these unrealized losses are on AFS securities owned by the Fund. These losses were \$10 million and \$8 million at March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008, respectively.

At March 31, 2009, interest rate agreements had an unrealized loss of \$26 million, which will be expensed through our consolidated statements of (loss) income over the remaining lives of previously designated hedged item (See Note 10). During the both three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, \$1 million of unrealized losses associated with interest rate agreements previously designated as cash flow hedges were reclassified into interest expense.

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Note 16. Equity Compensation Plans

As of March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008, 1,092,249 and 1,005,937 shares of common stock, respectively, were available for grant under Redwood's Incentive Plan. The unamortized cost of nonvested awards totaled \$14 million at March 31, 2009, as shown in the following table:

(In Thousands)	March 31, 2009				Total
	Stock Options	Restricted Stock	Deferred Stock Units	Employee Stock Purchase Program	
Unrecognized compensation cost at beginning of period	—	\$ 701	\$14,714	\$ —	\$ 15,415
Equity grants	—	—	—	177	177
Equity compensation cost	—	(107)	(1,644)	(44)	(1,795)
Unrecognized Compensation Cost at End of Period	—	\$ 594	\$13,070	\$ 133	\$ 13,797

The weighted average amortization period remaining for all of our equity awards was one year at March 31, 2009.

Stock Options

As of March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008, there were 641,373 and 647,873, respectively, of stock options outstanding. All of the outstanding stock options were fully vested as of March 31, 2009. The aggregate intrinsic value of the options outstanding and options currently exercisable was less than \$1 million at both March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008.

There were 6,500 and 27,599 stock options exercised for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively, and none of these were exercised by executive officers. The total intrinsic value or gain (fair market value less exercise price) for options exercised was less than \$1 million for both the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008.

Restricted Stock

As of March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008, there were 44,693 and 53,242 shares, respectively, of restricted stock outstanding. Restrictions on these shares lapse through January 2013. There were no restricted stock awards granted during the three months ended March 31, 2009.

Deferred Stock Units

As of March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008, there were 1,484,110 and 1,730,531, respectively, of DSUs outstanding, of which 318,389 and 522,826, respectively, had vested. There were no DSUs granted during the three months ended March 31, 2009. During the three months ended March 31, 2009, DSU distributions to participants in the Executive Deferred Compensation Plan (EDCP) totaled 248,794. Cash distributions to EDCP participants of some of their previously deferred compensation and vested matching totaled \$7 million during the three months ended March 31, 2009.

Employee Stock Purchase Plan

The ESPP allows a maximum of 100,000 shares of common stock to be purchased in aggregate for all employees. As of March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008, 73,316 and 67,306 shares have been purchased, respectively, and there remained a negligible amount of uninvested employee contributions in the ESPP.

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Note 17. Operating Expenses

Components of our operating expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008 are presented in the following table.

Operating Expenses

(In Thousands)	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2009	2008
Fixed compensation expense	\$ 4,028	\$ 5,674
Variable compensation expense	556	1,857
Equity compensation expense	1,795	3,306
Severance expense	28	—
Total compensation expense	6,407	10,837
Systems	1,594	2,141
Due diligence	7	10
Office costs	1,750	1,514
Accounting and legal	559	1,101
Other operating expenses	222	745
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 10,539	\$ 16,348

Note 18. Taxes

For the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, our provision for income taxes was less than \$1 million and \$2 million, respectively. The following is a reconciliation of the statutory federal and state tax rates to our projected annual effective rate at March 31, 2009 and 2008.

Reconciliation of Statutory Tax Rate to Effective Tax Rate

	March 31,	
	2009	2008
Federal statutory rate	34.0%	35.0%
State statutory rate, net of Federal tax effect	7.2%	7.0%
Differences in taxable income from GAAP (loss) income	(41.5)%	(68.9)%
Dividends paid deduction	—	25.8%
Effective Tax Rate	(0.3)%	(1.1)%

In November 2008, our Board of Directors announced its intention to reduce our quarterly dividend to shareholders to \$0.25 per share, and during the first quarter of 2009 the Board of Directors declared a first quarter regular dividend of \$0.25 per share. We currently anticipate recognizing a REIT taxable loss for 2009, and thus, these dividend distributions will likely be characterized as a return of capital and not ordinary income. As a result, there is no impact on our effective tax rate due to these dividends.

Our taxable income before dividend distributions has historically been higher than our GAAP net (loss) income primarily due to the accounting for credit losses and the market valuation write-downs taken on our assets for GAAP accounting purposes but not for tax. In 2008, negative market valuation adjustments for GAAP were significant and we reported a GAAP net loss while reporting taxable income for the same period. As a result, the impact in 2008 on the effective tax rate of the dividends paid deduction was an increase in the effective tax rate. Generally, our dividend distributions reduce our effective tax rate when we report both positive GAAP and taxable income.

We assessed our tax positions in accordance with FIN 48 for all open tax years (Federal — years 2005 to 2008, State — years 2004 to 2008) and as of March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008, and concluded that we have no material unrecognized liabilities.

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Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

Introduction

Redwood Trust, Inc., together with its subsidiaries, is a financial institution focused on investing in, financing, and managing residential and commercial real estate loans and securities. We seek to invest in assets that have the potential to provide attractive cash flows over a long period of time and support our goal of distributing attractive levels of dividends to our stockholders. For tax purposes, we are structured as a real estate investment trust, or REIT. We are able to pass through substantially all of our earnings generated at our REIT to our stockholders without paying income tax at the corporate level. We pay income tax on the REIT taxable income we retain and on the income we earn at our taxable subsidiaries. Redwood was incorporated in the State of Maryland on April 11, 1994, and commenced operations on August 19, 1994. Our executive offices are located at One Belvedere Place, Suite 300, Mill Valley, California 94941.

References herein to "Redwood," the "company," "we," "us," and "our" include Redwood Trust, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries, unless the context otherwise requires. Financial information concerning our business is set forth in "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," the consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto, and the supplemental financial information, which is included in Part I, Items 1 and 2 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Our website can be found at www.redwoodtrust.com. We make available, free of charge through the investor information section of our website, access to our annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as well as proxy statements, as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with, or furnish it to, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). We also make available, free of charge, access to our Corporate Governance Standards, charters for our Audit Committee, Compensation Committee, and Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee, our Corporate Governance Standards, and our Code of Ethics governing our directors, officers, and employees. Within the time period required by the SEC and the New York Stock Exchange, we will post on our web site any amendment to the Code of Ethics and any waiver applicable to any executive officer, director, or senior officer (as defined in the Code). In addition, our web site includes information concerning purchases and sales of our equity securities by our executive officers and directors, as well as disclosure relating to certain non generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) financial measures (as defined in the SEC's Regulation G) that we may make public orally, telephonically, by webcast, by broadcast, or by similar means from time to time. The information on our website is not part of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Our Investor Relations Department can be contacted at One Belvedere Place, Suite 300, Mill Valley, CA 94941, Attn: Investor Relations, telephone (866) 269-4976.

Cautionary Statement

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and the documents incorporated by reference herein contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements involve numerous risks and uncertainties. Our actual results may differ from our beliefs, expectations, estimates, and projections and, consequently, you should not rely on these forward-looking statements as predictions of future events. Forward-looking statements

are not historical in nature and can be identified by words such as “anticipate,” “estimate,” “will,” “should,” “expect,” “believe,” “intend,” “seek,” “plan” and similar expressions or their negative forms, or by references to strategy, plans, or intentions. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, including, among other things, those described in our 2008 Annual Report on Form 10-K under the caption “Risk Factors.” Other risks, uncertainties, and factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected are described below and may be described from time to time in reports we file with the SEC, including reports on Forms 10-Q and 8-K. We undertake no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

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Statements regarding the following subjects, among others, are forward-looking by their nature: (i) credit protection we expect to be able to rely on, the effect of prepayment speeds, potential returns on investments we make, and our expectation of future cash flows from investments; (ii) the potential effect of government initiatives and programs and whether or not we would participate in such programs; (iii) our expected rate of capital deployment and our future capital needs and sources; (iv) our views on the potential effects of changes in accounting standards; (v) our belief that some of the securities we own have the potential to produce earnings in excess of our current expectations; (vi) the types of investments we may make, including that we may acquire commercial real estate mortgage assets; (vii) the intention of our board of directors to pay a regular dividend of \$0.25 per share per quarter in 2009 and our expectations that dividends paid in 2009 will constitute a return of capital, and we will report a taxable loss for 2009; (viii) our view of trends in the housing market, mortgage delinquencies, and credit losses; and (ix) our expectation that a deconsolidation event in the second quarter with respect to one of our Sequoia entities may occur and that we would, as a result, reverse a related allowance for loan losses.

Important factors, among others, that may affect our actual results include: changes in interest rates; changes in mortgage prepayment rates; the timing of credit losses within our portfolio; our exposure to adjustable-rate and negative amortization mortgage loans; the state of the credit markets and other general economic conditions, particularly as they affect the price of earning assets and the credit status of borrowers; the concentration of the credit risks we are exposed to; the ability of counterparties to satisfy their obligations to us; legislative and regulatory actions affecting the mortgage industry or our business; the availability of high quality assets for purchase at attractive prices; declines in home prices and commercial real estate prices; increases in mortgage payment delinquencies; changes in the level of liquidity in the capital markets which may adversely affect our ability to finance our real estate asset portfolio; changes in liquidity in the market for real estate securities, the re-pricing of credit risk in the capital markets, inaccurate ratings of securities by rating agencies, rating agency downgrades of securities, and increases in the supply of real estate securities available-for-sale, each of which may adversely affect the values of securities we own; the extent of changes in the values of securities we own and the impact of adjustments reflecting those changes on our income statement and balance sheet, including our equity; our ability to maintain the positive stockholders' equity necessary to enable us to pay the dividends required to maintain our status as a real estate investment trust for tax purposes; our ability to generate the amount of cash flow we expect from our investment portfolio; changes in our investment, financing, and hedging strategies and the new risks that those changes may expose us to; changes in the competitive landscape within our industry, including changes that may affect our ability to retain or attract personnel; our failure to manage various operational risks associated with our business; our failure to maintain appropriate internal controls over financial reporting; our failure to properly administer and manage our securitization entities; risks we may be exposed to if we expand our business activities, such as risks relating to significantly increasing our direct holdings of loans; limitations imposed on our business due to our REIT status and our status as exempt from registration under the Investment Company Act of 1940; our ability to successfully deploy the proceeds from our recent common equity offering and raise additional capital to fund our investing activity; and other factors not presently identified. Fair values for our securities and asset-backed securities (ABS) issued are dependent upon a number of market-based assumptions including future interest rates, prepayment rates, discount rates, credit loss rates, and the timing of credit losses. We use these assumptions to generate cash flow estimates and internal values for each individual security.

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q may contain statistics and other data that in some cases have been obtained from or compiled from information made available by servicers and other third-party service providers.

Our Business

Redwood Trust, Inc., together with its subsidiaries, is a financial institution focused on investing in, financing, and managing residential and commercial real estate loans and securities. We seek to invest in assets that have the potential to provide attractive cash flows over a long period of time and support our goal of distributing attractive levels of dividends to our stockholders. For tax purposes, we are structured as a real estate investment trust, or REIT. We are able to pass through substantially all of our earnings generated at our REIT to our stockholders without paying income tax at the corporate level. We pay income tax on the REIT taxable income we retain and on the income we earn at our taxable subsidiaries.

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Our primary source of income is net interest income, which consists of the interest income we earn from our investments in loans and securities less the interest expenses we incur on our borrowed funds and other liabilities. We assume a range of risks in our investments and the level of risk is influenced by the manner in which we finance our purchase and derive income from our investments. Our primary real estate investments include investments in real estate loans and securities, an investment in a private fund that we sponsor — Redwood Opportunity Fund, LP (the Fund) — and investments in the securitization entities that we sponsor — Sequoia and Acacia.

Our direct investments in residential, commercial, and collateralized debt obligations (CDO) securities are currently financed with equity and long-term debt, although we may use short-term debt financing to acquire securities and loans from time to time. These investments are primarily senior and subordinate mortgage-backed securities backed by high-quality residential and commercial real estate loans. “High-quality” real estate loans are loans that typically have low loan-to-value ratios, borrowers with strong credit histories, and other indications of quality relative to the range of loans within U.S. real estate markets as a whole. The long term focus of our operations is to invest in subordinate securities (often below investment grade) that have concentrated structural credit risk. More recently, we have been investing in senior securities (often investment-grade), which have the first right to cash flows in a securitization and therefore less concentrated credit risk than subordinate securities.

The entities that we sponsor — the Fund, Sequoia, and Acacia — invest in real estate assets. Assets held at the Fund include senior securities backed by non-prime residential and CDO collateral, which were funded through the sale of limited partnership interests to us and to third party investors. The offer and sale of these interests were privately placed and were not registered under the federal securities laws in reliance on an exemption from registration. Assets held at the Sequoia entities include residential real estate loans, which are funded through the issuance of ABS to us and to third party investors. Assets held at the Acacia entities include real estate securities, and some loans and other mortgage related investments, which are funded through the issuance of ABS and equity to us and to third party investors.

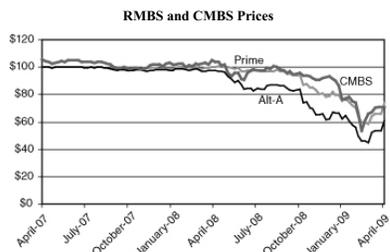
Our investments in each of these entities are currently financed with equity and long-term debt. Our capital at risk is limited to these investments as each entity is independent of Redwood and of each other and the assets and liabilities are not owned by and are not obligations of Redwood. For financial reporting purposes, we are generally required to consolidate these entities' assets, liabilities, and noncontrolling interests.

Recent Developments

During the first quarter of 2009, our investment cash flows remained strong, we took advantage of attractive investment opportunities, and housing and credit fundamentals remained in line with our modeling expectations.

Since the beginning of the year, we have invested \$240 million in residential mortgage-backed securities that we believe have the potential to generate attractive unlevered returns. We invested \$98 million during the first quarter of 2009 and \$142 million in the second quarter through May 1, 2009. The vast majority of these investments were in senior residential securities backed by pre-2006 prime or near prime loans that are well protected from a credit standpoint and well positioned to benefit from any uptick in prepayments. We have not acquired any commercial real estate assets since early 2007, but we have been actively monitoring developments and may identify investments that are adequately protected from loss and have the potential to provide stable, long-term cash flows, at attractive yields.

From the middle of 2007 through November 2008, trading activity between willing buyers and sellers of residential mortgage-backed securities (RMBS) and commercial mortgage-backed securities (CMBS) was light, and prices for virtually all mortgage-backed assets headed in one direction — down. This steady, steep decline was fueled by rapidly deteriorating credit fundamentals and was exacerbated by the extraordinary deleveraging that took place in the financial markets. The chart below illustrates the prices that investors were paying to compensate for the perceived credit risk of RMBS and CMBS over the last two years.



Source: Credit Suisse, JPMorgan Chase, Redwood Trust

Since November 2008, prices for senior residential and commercial mortgage-backed securities have been on a roller coaster ride, as buyers' and sellers' sentiment has shifted back and forth from focusing on negative credit fundamentals (causing prices to move lower and trading activity to decline) to focusing on the potential positive technical benefits from government programs (causing prices to move higher and trading activity to increase). In contrast to price movements in senior securities, prices for subordinate residential and commercial securities have only moved lower, as the focus has been solely on the fundamentals. We believe residential subordinate securities are likely to be negatively impacted by the government's loan modification initiatives.

From November 2008 through the end of January 2009, prices for senior mortgage-backed securities increased based on a positive market reaction to the initial high-level outline of government initiatives for legacy assets. By February 2009, in the absence of actionable details on these initiatives and with a pall looming over the health of banks, fear re-gripped the financial markets. As a consequence, trading activity fell dramatically and investor focus turned back to the negative credit fundamentals. Prices for senior securities dropped to a point where prices dipped below the November lows.

In mid-March, the government announced the outline of its Public-Private Investment Program (PPIP), designed to spur the purchase of up to \$1 trillion of legacy residential assets (loans and securities), and signaled that it would expand the existing \$1 trillion Term Asset-Backed Securities Loan Facility (TALF) to provide financing for the purchase of senior legacy residential and commercial mortgage-backed securities. In response to these announcements, prices for senior residential and commercial securities began to rise, although, by quarter-end, prices generally remained below year-end levels. As a result, we were required under GAAP to reflect additional negative market valuation adjustments in our first quarter financial statements. Since March 31, 2009, trading activity has been robust and prices for senior securities have continued to rise. In the near term it is difficult to anticipate the direction of prices since we believe they will depend largely on the success of PPIP, TALF, and other government programs.

In an attempt to stabilize or increase asset values, the government has indicated that it is considering offering what appears on the surface to be very attractive, non-recourse financing under TALF to potential acquirers of banks' legacy securitized assets. Some of our competitors, including hedge funds and other market participants, have been actively buying senior securities in anticipation of leveraging these investments through financing provided under TALF, and hopefully increasing investment returns. So far, the details on TALF are limited, however, and key terms and potential regulatory restrictions imposed on program participants have not yet been disclosed by the government.

We would consider using TALF as a source of leverage if we became comfortable with the resulting liquidity risk and any operating restrictions that may be imposed by the government. It has long been our policy to avoid liquidity risk and that policy has enabled us to withstand this current crisis. Leverage does not improve the performance of the underlying collateral. As a matter of fact, the extensive use of leverage

contributed to the current crisis. Furthermore, one of our competitive advantages has been our ability to operate in an entrepreneurial manner without government-imposed constraints; we are reluctant to compromise that ability. Until enough of the details on TALF are disclosed to allow us to make an informed judgment on the impact of the program on our balance sheet and operations, we will continue to acquire assets based upon unlevered return expectations.

Another program that deserves comment is PPIP. Here again, the details of the program have yet to be fully disclosed. Conceptually, the U.S. Treasury will select private-sector firms to manage new investment funds to be formed to acquire legacy loans and securities. The government will provide equity funding to be invested alongside the private investors in these funds, as well as non-recourse financing up to certain limits. We have thought long and hard about whether Redwood Asset Management (a Redwood subsidiary) should become a manager under the PPIP program. Redwood is well positioned to be a manager given our successful 15-year track record of managing residential credit risk, and we have the people, systems, and resources to proceed. There are positives, negatives, and unknowns associated with participation. Although it could significantly increase assets under management, the actual economics of such a mandate currently do not appear compelling. Moreover, there are questions relating to the Treasury's share of the economics and potential limitations that could prevent us from capitalizing on attractive investment opportunities for Redwood shareholders. For now, the balance tips on the side of not participating, but we continue to monitor the situation and will re-evaluate our decision if warranted. Regardless of whether Redwood Asset Management participates in PPIP, we remain firmly committed to our third-party asset management initiative and are moving forward to grow the business, as it represents an important source of capital for us to acquire and manage additional assets.

In addition to the significant government actions taken during the first quarter of 2009, mark-to-market accounting standards will change in the second quarter based upon two new financial statement positions (FSPs) issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) in April 2009. These new FSPs will affect our future GAAP earnings; however, they will not affect our future cash flow, book value, or economic returns. The first FSP clarifies how to measure fair value in an inactive market. We do not expect this first FSP to have much of an impact on our pricing process or future earnings. The second FSP revises previous FASB guidance for measuring new impairments and eliminates the "recapture" of previously taken impairment charges that subsequently proved to be unnecessary. This second FSP will have positive and negative impacts on our future GAAP earnings. On the positive side, the guidance will likely reduce the amount of new future impairment charges against earnings. On the negative side, it will limit some of the future recapture of prior impairment charges, which under existing guidance, would have flowed through our income statement. Instead, previously recorded impairment charges that prove to have been unnecessary will be recorded as a positive equity adjustment. In the end, the benefit will still be reflected in book value, but it will not flow through earnings. We will adopt this standard in the second quarter; it is too early to estimate the impact.

Outlook

We remain focused on cash flows, capitalizing on investment opportunities, staying abreast of government initiatives and determining if and when to participate in those initiatives. We enter the second quarter with strong cash flow from our investment portfolio, increased prepayment activity, firming prices for senior securities and increased trading volume in the market, and ample to cash to invest.

At our current rate of capital deployment, we would expect to invest our excess capital over the course of the next few months. In deciding whether to raise additional capital, we must consider both our future capital needs and alternative sources of capital. The "needs side" of the capital equation involves an analysis of both the near-term — how much capital we need to capitalize on secondary investment opportunities, and the long-term — how much capital we need for investment in our core business in the years ahead. Alternative methods of raising capital include generating capital internally through asset sales or re-securitizations, raising third-party funds through private placements to expand our asset management business, or accessing the equity markets through the sale of common stock. We may reduce our capital needs if we are able to leverage some of our investments through TALF, although, as we noted above, it is too early to determine whether it makes sense for us to participate in that program.

Decisions around capital require speculation on future market conditions and investment opportunities. As markets continue to remain fluid, it is difficult to predict the actions we will take. Our highest near-term priority is to get our arms around the level and attractiveness of secondary market investment opportunities. We will remain true to our core values and consider raising additional common equity only if we believe there are attractive investment opportunities that with the potential to lead us to higher levels of earnings and dividends per share over the long-term.

We expect that GAAP earnings will remain volatile in the near term due to mark-to-market (MTM) adjustments. We may

recognize additional GAAP impairment losses on residential, commercial, and CDO securities held at Redwood and the Fund. Negative MTM balance sheet write-downs that have not yet been realized through our income statement totaled \$75 million at March 31, 2009. Future income statement impairment charges related to these unrealized losses will be ameliorated by the recently announced FSP discussed above and, in any event, will not affect GAAP book value since these MTM losses were already deducted from equity at March 31, 2009. The fair value accounting principles we follow for the assets and liabilities at Acacia may also contribute to future MTM volatility.

Actual REIT taxable income in 2009 will depend on the timing of credit losses and the level of taxable income generated by our new and existing investments. We currently expect that taxable income will continue to be pressured by the realization of credit losses in 2009 and it is highly probable that taxable income for 2009 will be negative. In November 2008, our Board of Directors announced its intention to distribute a regular dividend of \$0.25 per share per quarter during 2009.

Summary of Results of Operations and Financial Condition

Our reported GAAP net loss was \$35 million (\$0.65 per share) for the first quarter of 2009 as compared to a GAAP net loss of \$172 million (\$5.28 per share) for the first quarter of 2008. Our GAAP book value per common share was \$8.40 at March 31, 2009, a decrease from \$9.02 at December 31, 2008. We declared a regular dividend of \$0.25 per share for the first quarter of 2009 and \$0.75 per share for the first quarter of 2008.

The following table presents the components of our GAAP net loss for the first quarter of 2009 and 2008.

Table 1 Net Income

(In Thousands, Except Share Data)	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2009	2008
Interest income	\$ 81,438	\$ 176,064
Interest expense	(47,642)	(127,300)
Net interest income	33,796	48,764
Provision for loan losses	(16,032)	(8,058)
Market valuation adjustments, net	(43,242)	(193,932)
Net interest loss after provision and market valuation adjustments	(25,478)	(153,226)
Operating expenses	(10,539)	(16,348)
Realized gains on sales and calls, net	462	42
Provision for income taxes	(105)	(1,800)
Less: Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest	(716)	255
Net Loss	\$ (34,944)	\$ (171,587)
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding	53,632,132	32,511,445
Net loss per share	\$ (0.65)	\$ (5.28)

Our net loss of \$35 million for the first quarter of 2009 included net negative market valuation adjustments (MVA) of \$43 million on real estate securities and derivatives, a reduction from net negative MVA of \$194 million for the first quarter of 2008. This reduction was primarily due to fewer impairment charges on securities. Our provision for loan losses at Sequoia was \$16 million for the first quarter of 2009, as compared to \$8 million for the first quarter of 2008. As of March 31, 2009, we have an allowance for loan

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losses for one of the Sequoia entities that exceeds our economic investment in that entity by \$15 million. Upon the occurrence of certain events, which may occur in the second quarter, we will be permitted to deconsolidate that Sequoia entity and upon deconsolidation, will record a gain to the extent of the excess allowance for loan losses.

Net interest income was \$34 million for the first three months of 2009 as compared to \$49 million for the first three months of 2008. Net interest income at Redwood declined by \$12 million due to higher credit losses, slower prepayments, and lower interest rates on securities. Net interest income at Sequoia declined by \$4 million due to lower interest rates on adjustable rate loans. These declines were partially offset by \$1 million increase in net interest income generated on securities at the Fund during the first quarter of 2009. Net interest income at Acacia was \$2 million for both the first quarters of 2009 and 2008.

Operating expenses decreased by \$6 million in the first quarter of 2009 as compared to the first quarter of 2008 primarily due to a reduction in headcount and fewer legal and consulting expenses.

The Results of Operations section of this Management's Discussion and Analysis contains a detailed discussion and analysis of the components of net income.

Our estimated total taxable loss was \$14 million (\$0.22 per share) for the first quarter of 2009, as compared to our estimated total taxable income of \$26 million (\$0.79 per share) for the first quarter of 2008. Our estimated REIT taxable loss was \$9 million (\$0.14 per share) for the first quarter of 2009, as compared to our estimated REIT taxable income of \$25 million (\$0.76 per share) for the first quarter of 2008. Our REIT taxable income is that portion of our total taxable income that we earn at Redwood and its qualifying REIT subsidiaries and determines the minimum amount of dividends we must distribute to shareholders in order to maintain our tax status as a REIT.

The decrease in REIT taxable income for the first quarter of 2009 as compared to the first quarter of 2008 was primarily due to an increase in realized credit losses on subordinate securities. For tax purposes, we are not permitted to establish credit reserves on securities and do not record impairments or other changes in the fair value of financial assets or liabilities. Realized credit losses at the REIT for tax purposes for the first quarters of 2009 and 2008 were \$48 million and \$14 million, or \$0.80 and \$0.41 per share, respectively.

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Book Value

The Financial Condition, Liquidity, and Capital Resources section of this Management's Discussion and Analysis contains a detailed discussion and analysis of the components of GAAP book value at March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008. The following supplemental non-GAAP components of book value addresses our assets and liabilities at March 31, 2009, as reported under GAAP and as estimated by us using fair values for our investments. We show our investments in the Fund, and the Sequoia and Acacia entities as separate line items to highlight our specific ownership interests, as the underlying assets and liabilities of these entities are legally not ours. Our estimated economic value is calculated using bid-side asset marks, as required to determine fair value under GAAP. This method of calculating economic value more closely represents liquidation value and does not represent the higher amount we would have to pay at the offered-side to replace our existing assets. For additional information to consider when reviewing the following supplemental non-GAAP components of book value, please see "Factors Affecting Management's Estimate of Economic Value" below.

Table 2 Book Value

(In Millions, Except per Share Data)	March 31, 2009		
	As Reported	Adjustments	Management's Estimate of Economic Value
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 333		\$ 333
Real estate securities at Redwood			
Residential	195		195
Commercial	23		23
CDO	3		3
Subtotal real estate securities	221		221
Investments in the Fund	22		22
Investments in Sequoia	70	(9) ^(a)	61
Investments in Acacia	7	(2) ^(b)	5
Total securities and investments	320		309
Long-term debt	(150)	108 ^(c)	(42)
Other assets/liabilities, net ^(d)	3		3
Stockholders' Equity	\$ 506		\$ 603
Book Value Per Share	\$ 8.40		\$ 10.01

- (a) Our Sequoia investments consist of senior and subordinate securities and interest-only securities issued by Sequoia entities. We calculated the \$61 million estimate of economic value for these securities using the same valuation process that we followed to fair value our other real estate securities. In contrast, the \$70 million of GAAP carrying value of these investments represents the difference between residential real estate loans owned by the Sequoia entities and the asset-backed securities (ABS) issued by these entities to third-party investors. Under GAAP, we account for these loans and ABS issued at cost.
- (b) Our Acacia investments consist of ABS issued and equity interests; we also have management agreements with each entity. The \$5 million estimate of economic value of our investments in Acacia entities represents the value of the ABS acquired plus the net present value of projected cash flows from our Acacia management fees discounted at 45%. We valued our equity interests at zero. In contrast, the \$7 million GAAP value of these investments represents the difference between securities owned by the Acacia entities and the ABS issued by these entities to third-party investors. Under GAAP, we account for these securities and ABS issued at fair value.
- (c) We have issued \$150 million of 30-year long-term debt at an interest rate of LIBOR plus 225 basis points. Under GAAP, these notes are carried at cost. Economic value is difficult to estimate with precision as the market for the notes is currently inactive. We estimated the \$42 million economic value using the same valuation process used to fair value our other financial assets and liabilities. Estimated economic value is \$108 million lower than our GAAP carrying value because given the significant overall contraction in credit availability and re-pricing of credit risk, if we had issued this long-term debt at March 31, 2009, investors would have required a substantially higher interest rate.

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- (d) Other assets/liabilities, net are comprised of \$3 million of real estate loans, \$3 million of deferred taxes, \$6 million of accrued interest receivable, and \$16 million of other assets, less dividends payable of \$15 million and accrued interest and other liabilities of \$10 million.

During prior periods, we presented our securities based on their current ratings, i.e. investment grade securities (IGS) and credit enhancement securities (CES). Given current market conditions, we believe that these ratings have become less meaningful and we now categorize our securities by their payment priority within a securitization capital structure. Senior securities are those interests in a securitization that have the first right to cash flows and are last in line to absorb losses. Subordinate securities are all interests below senior securities. Subordinate securities may not necessarily be in first-loss position.

For comparability purposes, the tables below present the carrying value of our real estate securities at Redwood by vintage at March 31, 2009, using our new presentation as well as the prior one. The first table reflects our prior presentation categories of IGS and CES and the second table reflects our new presentation using senior and subordinate securities categories.

Table 3 Securities at Redwood by Vintage, as a Percentage of Total Securities

March 31, 2009 (In Thousands)	2004 & Earlier	2005	2006 – 2008	Total	% of Total Securities
Residential					
IGS					
Prime	\$ 13,334	\$ 67,387	\$ 17,182	\$ 97,903	44%
Non-prime	26,519	20,143	10,656	57,318	26%
Total IGS	39,853	87,530	27,838	155,221	70%
CES					
Prime	12,749	4,438	1,688	18,875	9%
Non-prime	642	17,827	3,133	21,602	10%
Total CES	13,391	22,265	4,821	40,477	19%
Total Residential	53,244	109,795	32,659	195,698	89%
Commercial	8,712	4,462	9,741	22,915	10%
CDO	49	2,578	30	2,657	1%
Total Securities at Redwood	\$ 62,005	\$ 116,835	\$ 42,430	\$ 221,270	100%

March 31, 2009 (In Thousands)	2004 & Earlier	2005	2006 – 2008	Total	% of Total Securities
Residential					
Senior					
Prime	\$ 4,567	\$ 67,003	\$ 16,196	\$ 87,766	40%
Non-prime	26,519	36,514	11,350	74,383	34%
Total Senior	31,086	103,517	27,546	162,149	74%
Subordinate					
Prime	21,516	4,822	2,674	29,012	13%
Non-prime	642	1,456	2,439	4,537	2%
Total Subordinate	22,158	6,278	5,113	33,549	15%
Total Residential	53,244	109,795	32,659	195,698	89%
Commercial	8,712	4,462	9,741	22,915	10%
CDO	49	2,578	30	2,657	1%
Total Securities at Redwood	\$ 62,005	\$ 116,835	\$ 42,430	\$ 221,270	100%

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All subsequent tables with securities-related information reflect the senior and subordinate categories rather than the credit rating categories.

Our investment profile for real estate securities has shifted over the past year to residential prime and near prime senior cash flows with a comfortable margin of safety to protect against escalating credit losses. The fair value of our residential senior securities at March 31, 2009, was \$162 million, representing 74% of our total portfolio, an increase from 49% at December 31, 2008, and an increase from 2% at March 31, 2008. This percentage change in the components of our total portfolio was also the result of declines in the fair value of our subordinate securities, as discussed below.

Our returns on these investments in senior securities will be based upon how much principal and interest we ultimately receive and how quickly we receive it. We fully expect, and base our analysis of the attractiveness of the new investments on, more bad things happening in housing. We expect housing prices to continue to decline about 20% on average, more in some areas and less in others, over the next year, and delinquencies and foreclosures to increase. Our target investment objective profile has been to achieve mid- to high-teen returns in the unlevered base case, well-protected stress case returns, and exceptional upside returns if we benefit from faster prepayments or lower credit losses. We model these profiles based upon our forecasts of the underlying collateral cash flows and the level of subordination protecting against future credit losses. We do not rely on credit ratings as part of our investment decision process. We emphasize this point because in 2009, we expect significant rating agency downgrades of prime and non-prime AAA-rated residential senior securities issued from 2005 through 2008. The overall credit performance of loans underlying these vintages is significantly worse than the rating agency original expectations. In many cases, we expect securities currently rated AAA to be downgraded below investment grade, and in some cases downgraded to CCC.

As our senior securities investments primarily represent senior cash flows, we do not expect a high level of losses. Our senior securities returns are generally more sensitive to changes in prepayment rates than they are to credit. As has been well-publicized, many borrowers are currently having difficulty refinancing due to high non-agency mortgage rates, insufficient home equity, and stringent underwriting. A pick-up in refinancing activity either from lower non-agency mortgage rates or from the government's initiatives to stimulate refinancing would benefit our senior securities returns.

The fair value of our residential subordinate securities portfolio was \$34 million, representing 15% of our total portfolio at March 31, 2009, down from 27% at December 31, 2008 and down from 49% a year ago. This decline resulted from a reduction in market values due to negative mark-to-market adjustments and from our decision to redirect our investment focus to senior securities. We acquire subordinate securities at a significant discount to principal value as credit losses could reduce or eliminate the principal value of these bonds. In an ideal environment, we would experience fast prepayments and low credit losses allowing us to recover a substantial part of the discount as income. Conversely, a less beneficial environment is the environment we are currently experiencing with slow prepayments and high credit losses.

Our residential subordinate securities from 2004 and prior total \$22 million and are carried at a fair value representing 2% of face value. From a credit standpoint, those vintages are generally performing in line with or better than our initial expectations. Our subordinate securities investments with vintages from 2005 to 2008 are carried at a fair value of \$11 million, representing 2% of face value. Based on the poor credit trends underlying these vintages, we expect that future credit losses will eliminate virtually all of the

principal or face amount of these securities. Therefore, the value ascribed to these securities is derived from the present value of future interest we expect to collect before actual credit losses are realized.

Our commercial subordinate securities represent 10% of our securities portfolio at March 31, 2009, down from 22% at December 31, 2008, and down from 43% a year ago. We have not purchased commercial securities since the first quarter of 2007. Due to a continuing deterioration in the fundamentals (increasing vacancies, falling rents) and an increasingly weakening economy (slowdown in consumer spending, increase in unemployment), we wrote down our commercial subordinate securities to \$23 million, or 4% of face value in the first quarter of 2009.

The GAAP value (which equals fair value) of our investments in the Fund was \$22 million at March 31, 2009. These investments represent a 52% interest in the Fund, which closed in March 2008 and is

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fully-invested. The Fund is managed by a subsidiary of Redwood. All of the Fund's cash flow (excluding expenses and management fees) is distributed to the limited partners quarterly.

The GAAP value and fair value of our investments in Sequoia was \$70 million and \$61 million at March 31, 2009, respectively. These investments consist primarily of interest-only securities (IOs) and to a lesser extent senior securities and subordinate securities. Our returns on these investments are most sensitive to prepayments although material changes in interest rates also have a short term impact on cash flows generated.

The GAAP value and fair value of our investments in Acacia was \$7 million and \$5 million at March 31, 2009, respectively. These investments represent equity interests and ABS issued from our Acacia CDO securitization entities and the management fees we receive from those entities. Due to various provisions in each CDO securitization, all but one of our equity interests are cut off from cash flows and we only expect limited returns on the ABS issued we own. We value the management fees at \$4 million, which equals our projected fees discounted at a 45% rate.

Capital and Liquidity

We continue to maintain our strong balance sheet and liquidity. At March 31, 2009, we had \$333 million in cash and cash equivalents, or \$5.53 per share. All of our cash and cash equivalents are invested in U.S. Treasury Bills or FDIC-insured bank deposits. At March 31, 2009, our total capital was \$656 million, which consisted of \$506 million of common equity and \$150 million of 30-year long-term debt due in 2037. We had no short-term debt at March 31, 2009, and do not anticipate adding any in the current environment since our anticipated acquisitions are generally illiquid and subject to volatile market value changes. We fund these investments with permanent capital (equity and long-term debt) that will enable us to hold the securities to maturity without the risk of margin calls or forced redemptions.

Our quarterly sources and uses of our cash is one of the financial metrics on which we focus. Therefore, as a supplement to the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, we show in the table below (i) the beginning cash balance at December 31, 2008, and the ending cash balance at March 31, 2009, which are GAAP amounts, and (ii) the components of sources and uses of cash organized in a manner consistent with the way management analyzes them. The presentation of our sources and uses of cash for the first quarter of 2009 is derived by aggregating and netting all items within our GAAP Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows that were attributable to the first quarter of 2009.

Table 4 Redwood Sources and Uses of Cash
(In Millions)

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2009
Beginning Cash Balance at 12/31/08	\$ 126
Business cash flows:	
Cash flow from investments	57
Asset management fees	1
Operating expenses	(11)
Interest expense on Redwood debt	(2)
Total Business Cash Flows	45
Other sources and uses:	
Proceeds from asset sales	1
Proceeds from equity issuance	285
Changes in working capital	1
Acquisitions	(98)
Dividends paid	(27)
Total Other Sources	162
Net Sources of Cash	207
Ending Cash Balance at 3/31/09	\$ 333

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Our cash flow was strong during the first quarter of 2009. We generated \$57 million of cash flow from investments during the quarter, an increase from \$40 million generated in the prior quarter, as shown in the table below. Of this cash flow, \$53 million was generated by assets we owned as of the beginning of the quarter and \$4 million was generated by assets acquired during the quarter. The increase was primarily driven by favorable interest rate resets on our IO investments, and faster prepayments. Cash flow from investments does not include the gross cash flows generated by the Fund and by the Sequoia and Acacia securitization entities that are not available to Redwood, but does include the cash flow generated by our investments in these entities.

Table 5 Cash Flow from Investments

(In Millions)	Three Months Ended		Change
	December 31, 2008	March 31, 2009	
Redwood			
Residential principal	\$ 10	\$ 15	\$ 5
Residential interest	11	15	4
Commercial	5	5	—
Total Redwood	26	35	9
Investments in Sequoia	9	18	9
Investments in Acacia	2	1	(1)
Investments in the Fund	3	3	—
Total Cash Flow from Investments	\$ 40	\$ 57	\$ 17

The \$57 million of cash flow from investments for the first quarter included \$39 million of coupon interest and \$18 million of principal payments.

The following table details the source of our cash flow from investments, by vintage, for the first quarter. Most of our cash flows are generated by more seasoned investments with vintage of 2004 and earlier, which generally continue to perform within our expectations.

Table 6 Cash Flow from Investments by Vintage

Three Months Ended March 31, 2009 (In Millions)	Vintage					Total
	2004 & Earlier	2005	2006	2007	2008	
Redwood	\$ 13	\$ 8	\$ 5	\$ 9	—	\$ 35
The Fund	2	1	—	—	—	3
Sequoia	12	—	—	6	—	18
Acacia	1	—	—	—	—	1
Total Cash Flow by Vintage	\$ 28	\$ 9	\$ 5	\$ 15	—	\$ 57

Future increases in cash flow could be generated by successfully reinvesting the cash flow from our existing investments, and deploying our remaining unrestricted cash. The amount of cash flow from investments could be volatile from quarter to quarter depending on prepayment patterns, changes in interest rates, and the level of credit losses.

Factors Affecting Management's Estimate of Economic Value

In reviewing the non-GAAP supplemental components of book value, which are included herein and which we also refer to as management's "estimate of economic value," there are a number of important factors and limitations to consider. The estimated fair value of our stockholders' equity is calculated as of a particular point in time based on our existing assets and liabilities and does not incorporate other factors that may have a significant impact on that value, most notably the impact of future business activities and

cash flows. As a result, the estimated economic value of our stockholders' equity does not necessarily represent an estimate of our net realizable value, liquidation value, or our market value as a whole. Amounts we ultimately

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realize from the disposition of assets or settlement of liabilities may vary significantly from the estimated economic values presented in our non-GAAP supplemental components of book value. Because temporary changes in market conditions can substantially affect the economic value of our stockholders' equity, we do not believe that short-term fluctuations in the economic value of our assets and liabilities are necessarily representative of the effectiveness of our investment strategy or the long-term underlying value of our business. When quoted market prices or observable market data are not available to estimate fair value, we rely on Level 3 inputs. Because assets and liabilities classified as Level 3 are generally based on unobservable inputs, the process of calculating economic value is generally more subjective and involves a high degree of management judgment and assumptions. These assumptions may have a significant effect on our estimates of economic value, and the use of different assumptions as well as changes in market conditions could have a material effect on our results of operations or financial condition.

Results of Operations

The following discussion is based upon management's consolidating results for Redwood, the Fund, Sequoia, and Acacia and acts as a supplement to our GAAP results for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008.

Table 7 Consolidating Income Statements

(In Thousands)	Three Months Ended March 31, 2009					
	Redwood Parent Only	The Fund	Sequoia	Acacia	Intercompany Adjustments	Redwood Consolidated
Interest income	\$ 21,827	\$ 2,816	\$ 33,635	\$ 22,537	\$ 623	\$ 81,438
Management fees	1,032	—	—	—	(1,032)	—
Interest expense	(1,808)	—	(25,114)	(20,772)	52	(47,642)
Net interest income	21,051	2,816	8,521	1,765	(357)	33,796
Provision for loan losses	—	—	(16,032)	—	—	(16,032)
Market valuation adjustments, net	(26,286)	(3,889)	(700)	(12,367)	—	(43,242)
Net interest loss after provision and market valuation adjustments	(5,235)	(1,073)	(8,211)	(10,602)	(357)	(25,478)
Operating expenses	(10,460)	(430)	(6)	—	357	(10,539)
Realized gains on sales and calls, net	337	—	125	—	—	462
Loss from the Fund	(787)	—	—	—	787	—
Loss from Sequoia	(8,092)	—	—	—	8,092	—
Loss from Acacia	(10,602)	—	—	—	10,602	—
Noncontrolling interest	—	716	—	—	—	716
Net loss before provision for taxes	(34,839)	(787)	(8,092)	(10,602)	19,481	(34,839)
Provision for income taxes	(105)	—	—	—	—	(105)
Net (Loss) Income	\$(34,944)	\$(787)	\$(8,092)	\$(10,602)	\$ 19,481	\$(34,944)

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(In Thousands)	Three Months Ended March 31, 2008					
	Redwood Parent Only	The Fund	Sequoia	Acacia	Intercompany Adjustments	Redwood Consolidated
Interest income	\$ 33,789	\$ 1,773	\$ 95,182	\$ 47,467	\$ (2,147)	\$ 176,064
Management fees	1,613	—	—	—	(1,613)	—
Interest expense	(2,715)	—	(82,734)	(45,456)	3,605	(127,300)
Net interest income	32,687	1,773	12,448	2,011	(155)	48,764
Provision for loan losses	—	—	(8,058)	—	—	(8,058)
Market valuation adjustments, net	(166,660)	—	(419)	(26,853)	—	(193,932)
Net interest (loss) income after provision and market valuation adjustments	(133,973)	1,773	3,971	(24,842)	(155)	(153,226)
Operating expenses	(16,208)	(249)	(46)	—	155	(16,348)
Realized gains on sales and calls, net	39	—	—	3	—	42
Income from the Fund	1,269	—	—	—	(1,269)	—
Income from Sequoia	3,925	—	—	—	(3,925)	—
Loss from Acacia	(24,839)	—	—	—	24,839	—
Noncontrolling interest	—	(255)	—	—	—	(255)
Net (loss) income before provision for taxes	(169,787)	1,269	3,925	(24,839)	19,645	(169,787)
Provision for income taxes	(1,800)	—	—	—	—	(1,800)
Net (Loss) Income	\$(171,587)	\$ 1,269	\$ 3,925	\$(24,839)	\$ 19,645	\$(171,587)

Results of Operations — Redwood

The following table presents the net interest loss after provision and MVA at Redwood for the first quarter of 2009 and 2008.

Table 8 Net Interest Loss after Provision and MVA at Redwood

(Dollars in Thousands)	Three Months Ended March 31,					
	2009			2008		
	Total Interest Income/ (Expense)	Average Amortized Cost	Yield	Total Interest Income/ (Expense)	Average Amortized Cost	Yield
Interest Income						
Real estate loans	\$ 64	\$ 2,762	9.27%	\$ 99	\$ 4,758	8.32%
Trading securities	2,972	5,668	209.75%	4,191	53,408	31.39%
Available-for-sale securities	18,750	259,777	28.87%	27,264	385,773	28.27%
Cash and cash equivalents	41	304,872	0.05%	2,235	269,354	3.32%
Total Interest Income	21,827			33,789		
Management fees	1,032			1,613		
Interest Expense						
Short-term debt	—	—	—	(182)	21,477	(3.39)%
Long-term debt	(1,808)	147,193	(4.91)%	(2,533)	146,242	(6.93)%
Total Interest Expense	(1,808)			(2,715)		
Net Interest Income	21,051			32,687		
Market valuation adjustments, net	(26,286)			(166,660)		
Net Interest Loss After MVA at Redwood	\$(5,235)			\$(133,973)		

Net interest loss after MVA at Redwood was a loss of \$5 million in the first quarter of 2009 as compared to a loss of \$134 million in the first quarter of 2008, a decrease in the loss of \$129 million. The primary

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reason for the lower loss was a decrease in negative MVA of \$141 million in the first quarter of 2009 over the first quarter of 2008. We detail MVA in a separate Mark-to-Market Adjustments section below.

Net interest income at Redwood was \$21 million in the first quarter of 2009 as compared to \$33 million in the first quarter of 2008, a decline of \$12 million. The primary reasons for this decline included reduced discount amortization income due to lower projected cash flows on many subordinate securities and some senior securities, reduced coupon interest income due to lower benchmark LIBOR rates on adjustable rate securities, and slower prepayment rates.

Interest income at Redwood was \$22 million in the first quarter of 2009, as compared to \$34 million in the first quarter of 2008, a decline of \$12 million. The following table details how interest income changed as a result of changes in average earning asset balances ("volume") and changes in interest yields ("rate").

Table 9 Interest Income at Redwood — Volume and Rate Changes

(In Thousands)	Change in Interest Income Three Months Ended		
	March 31, 2009 vs. March 31, 2008		
	Volume	Rate	Total Change
Real estate loans	\$ (42)	\$ 7	\$ (35)
Trading securities	(3,746)	2,527	(1,219)
Available-for-sale securities	(9,365)	851	(8,514)
Cash and cash equivalents	295	(2,489)	(2,194)
Total Interest Income	\$ (12,858)	\$ 896	\$ (11,962)

Interest income declined in the first quarter of 2009 as compared to the first quarter of 2008 primarily because of lower volume due to impairments on securities that reduced average asset balances. Interest income on AFS securities was \$19 million for the first quarter of 2009 as compared to \$27 million for the first quarter of 2008, a decline of \$8 million. We reduced the cost basis of many of our AFS securities through impairment charges during the first quarter of 2009 and throughout 2008 and increased the amount of current principal face designated as credit reserves. Higher credit reserves designated on securities reduce the amount of discount that we amortize into income over time. The adequacy of these credit reserves is based upon the long term performance of these securities and is subject to change over time. Thus, although short-term LIBOR index rates were lower during the first quarter of 2009 as compared to the first quarter of 2008, the yields we accrete on many available-for-sale (AFS) securities have not decreased.

The following table presents the components of the interest income we earned on AFS securities in the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008.

Table 10 Interest Income — AFS Securities at Redwood

Three Months Ended March 31, 2009

(Dollars in Thousands)	Interest Income	Discount (Premium) Amortization	Total Interest Income	Average Amortized Cost	Yield as a Result of		
					Interest Income	Discount (Premium) Amortization	Total Interest Income
Senior							
Residential	\$ 2,787	\$ 3,322	\$ 6,109	\$164,200	6.79%	8.09%	14.88%
Total Senior	2,787	3,322	6,109	164,200	6.79%	8.09%	14.88%
Subordinate							
Residential	8,691	3,440	12,131	49,170	70.70%	27.98%	98.68%
Commercial	4,550	(4,050)	500	46,382	39.24%	(34.93)%	4.31%
CDO	10	—	10	25	160.00%	—	160.00%
Total Subordinate	13,251	(610)	12,641	95,577	55.46%	(2.55)%	52.91%
Total AFS Securities	\$16,038	\$ 2,712	\$18,750	\$259,777	24.70%	4.18%	28.88%

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Three Months Ended March 31, 2008

(Dollars in Thousands)	Interest Income	Discount (Premium) Amortization	Total Interest Income	Average Amortized Cost	Yield as a Result of		
					Interest Income	Discount (Premium) Amortization	Total Interest Income
Subordinate							
Residential	\$10,490	\$ 11,633	\$22,123	\$200,751	20.90%	23.18%	44.08%
Commercial	6,523	(1,522)	5,001	183,446	14.22%	(3.32)%	10.90%
CDO	140	—	140	1,576	35.53%	—	35.53%
Total Subordinate	17,153	10,111	27,264	385,773	17.79%	10.48%	28.27%
Total AFS Securities	\$17,153	\$ 10,111	\$27,264	\$385,773	17.79%	10.48%	28.27%

The most significant economic factor affecting the performance of senior securities is the rate of principal repayments. As these investments primarily represent senior cash flows, we currently do not expect a high level of credit losses. Our senior securities returns are therefore more sensitive to changes in prepayment rates than they are to credit. A pick-up in refinance activity due to lower mortgage rates or other factors would benefit our senior securities returns. Average prepayment speeds on prime residential senior securities were 15% CPR in the first quarter of 2009.

The most significant economic factors affecting the performance of subordinate securities are the timing and amount of credit losses and the rate of principal repayments. In general, lower credit losses and higher prepayment speeds benefit subordinate securities that we buy at a significant discount to face value. Over the past year, delinquencies have been rising and prepayments have been slower. Serious delinquencies on prime residential subordinate securities (loans that are 90+ days delinquent) were 2.44% of current balances as of March 31, 2009, as compared to 1.59% of current balances as of December 31, 2008. Serious delinquencies on commercial subordinate securities (loans that are 60+ days delinquent) were 1.41% of current balances as of March 31, 2009, as compared to 1.15% of current balances as of December 31, 2008. Average prepayment speeds on prime residential subordinate securities declined to 11% CPR in the first quarter of 2009, as compared to 16% CPR in the first quarter of 2008. There are generally no prepayments on commercial subordinate securities.

The following table details how interest expense at Redwood changed as a result of changes in average debt balances ("volume") and interest yields ("rate").

Table 11 Interest Expense at Redwood — Volume and Rate Changes

(In Thousands)	Change in Interest Expense Three Months Ended		
	March 31, 2009 vs. March 31, 2008		
	Volume	Rate	Total Change
Short-term debt	\$ (182)	\$ —	\$ (182)
Long-term debt	16	(741)	(725)
Total Interest Expense	\$ (166)	\$ (741)	\$ (907)

Interest expense decreased primarily because the benchmark LIBOR interest rates on our long term debt have declined since first quarter of 2008.

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The following table presents the components of operating expenses at Redwood for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008.

Table 12 Operating Expenses at Redwood

(In Thousands)	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2009	2008
Fixed compensation expense	\$ 4,028	\$ 5,674
Variable compensation expense	556	1,857
Equity compensation expense	1,795	3,306
Severance expense	28	—
Total compensation expense	6,407	10,837
Systems	1,594	2,141
Due diligence	7	10
Office costs	1,750	1,514
Accounting and legal	559	1,101
Other operating expenses	222	745
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 10,539	\$ 16,348

Operating expenses in the first quarter of 2009 were lower than for the same period in 2008 primarily due to a decrease in compensation expenses, stemming from the decrease in headcount reductions in the fourth quarter of 2008. Lower system development and consulting costs and fewer non-recurring legal expenses also contributed to the decline.

The following table details the components of realized gains on sales and calls, net, for the first quarter of 2009 and 2008.

Table 13 Realized Gains and Losses on Sales and Calls, Net

(In Thousands)	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2009	2008
Realized gains (losses) on sales of:		
Real estate loans	\$ —	\$ (3)
Real estate securities	337	—
Interest rate agreements	—	—
Total gains (losses) on sales	337	(3)
Net gains on extinguishment of debt	125	—
Net gains on calls	—	45
Total Realized Gains on Sales and Calls, Net	\$ 462	\$ 42

Realized gains on sales and calls, net, were \$462 thousand during the first quarter of 2009 as compared to \$42 thousand during first quarter of 2008. This increase reflects a gain on extinguishment of debt and gains on sales of securities.

Results of Operations — The Fund

The Fund was established to capitalize on the dislocation in the non-prime residential and CDO markets. The Fund received \$96 million in commitments from investors, including a \$50 million commitment from Redwood. As the majority owner and manager of the Fund, we consolidate the Fund's assets, liabilities, and noncontrolling interest for financial reporting purposes. The Fund became fully invested in the third quarter of 2008.

Net interest income at the Fund was \$3 million in the first quarter of 2009, an increase of \$1 million from the first quarter of 2008. This increase was due higher interest income from the Fund's acquisition of additional AFS securities during 2008.

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The following table presents the components of interest income at the Fund in the first quarter of 2009.

Table 14 Interest Income — AFS Securities at the Fund

Three Months Ended March 31, 2009

(Dollars in Thousands)	Interest Income	Discount Amortization	Total Interest Income	Average Amortized Cost	Yield as a Result of		
					Interest Income	Discount Amortization	Total Interest Income
Senior							
Residential	\$ 207	\$ 1,808	\$ 2,015	\$ 36,606	2.26%	19.76%	22.02%
CDO	147	37	184	6,310	9.32%	2.35%	11.67%
Total Senior	354	1,845	2,199	42,916	3.30%	17.20%	20.50%
Subordinate							
Residential	86	287	373	11,930	2.88%	9.62%	12.50%
CDO	170	73	243	7,473	9.10%	3.91%	13.01%
Total Subordinate	256	360	616	19,403	5.28%	7.42%	12.70%
Total AFS Securities	\$ 610	\$ 2,205	\$ 2,815	\$ 62,319	3.92%	14.15%	18.07%

Three Months Ended March 31, 2008

(Dollars in Thousands)	Interest Income	Discount Amortization	Total Interest Income	Average Amortized Cost	Yield as a Result of		
					Interest Income	Discount Amortization	Total Interest Income
Senior							
CDO	\$ 274	\$ 29	\$ 303	\$ 10,050	10.91%	1.15%	12.06%
Total Senior	274	29	303	10,050	10.91%	1.15%	12.06%
Subordinate							
Residential	81	319	400	5,437	5.96%	23.47%	29.43%
CDO	650	405	1,055	17,693	14.70%	9.16%	23.86%
Total Subordinate	731	724	1,455	23,130	12.64%	12.52%	25.16%
Total AFS Securities	\$ 1,005	\$ 753	\$ 1,758	\$ 33,180	12.12%	9.08%	21.20%

The following table details the components of the change in interest income at the Fund that were attributable to changes in average earning asset balances ("volume") and changes in interest yields ("rate").

Table 15 Interest Income at the Fund — Volume and Rate Changes

(In Thousands)	Change in Interest Income		
	Three Months Ended		
	Volume	Rate	Total Change
Available-for-sale securities	\$ 1,544	\$ (487)	\$ 1,057
Cash and cash equivalents	2	(16)	(14)
Total Interest Income	\$ 1,546	\$ (503)	\$ 1,043

As many of the assets held at the Fund were purchased during the first quarter of 2008, the change in interest income is primarily attributed to an increase in volume.

Results of Operations — Sequoia

Sequoia is our brand name for the residential real estate loan securitization entities that we sponsor. Although our exposure to the loans collateralizing these entities is limited to our investments in each Sequoia securitization, we are required under GAAP to consolidate the assets and liabilities of most Sequoia entities on

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our consolidated balance sheets. Our investment in each Sequoia entity is separate and independent, thus diminished performance on one of our investments would have no effect on our investments in the other Sequoia entities. Sequoia loans and ABS issued are reported on an amortized cost basis. The net interest income reported represents the GAAP earnings we record on our investments in these entities and any net interest earned during the accumulation of loans for securitization.

The following table presents the net interest (loss) income after provision and MVA at Sequoia for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008.

Table 16 Net Interest (Loss) Income after Provision and MVA at Sequoia

Three Months Ended March 31, 2009

(Dollars in Thousands)	Interest Income	(Premium) Discount Amortization	Total Interest Income	Average Amortized Cost	Yield
Interest Income					
Real estate loans	\$ 41,092	\$ (7,459)	\$ 33,633	\$3,007,022	4.47%
Cash and cash equivalents	2	—	2	304	2.63%
Total Interest Income	41,094	(7,459)	33,635		
Interest Expense					
ABS issued	(24,875)	(218)	(25,093)	4,460,962	(2.25)%
Interest rate agreements	(21)	—	(21)		
Total Interest Expense	(24,896)	(218)	(25,114)		
Net Interest Income	16,198	(7,677)	8,521		
Provision for loan losses	(16,032)	—	(16,032)		
Market valuation adjustments, net	(700)	—	(700)		
Net Interest (Loss) Income After Provision and MVA at Sequoia	\$ (534)	\$ (7,677)	\$ (8,211)		

Three Months Ended March 31, 2008

(Dollars in Thousands)	Interest Income	(Premium) Discount Amortization	Total Interest Income	Average Amortized Cost	Yield
Interest Income					
Real estate loans	\$102,664	\$ (7,511)	\$ 95,153	\$6,895,279	5.52%
Cash and cash equivalents	29	—	29	479	24.20%
Total Interest Income	102,693	(7,511)	95,182		
Interest Expense					
ABS issued	(82,668)	90	(82,578)	6,745,557	(4.90)%
Interest rate agreements	(156)	—	(156)		
Total Interest Expense	(82,824)	90	(82,734)		
Net Interest Income	19,869	(7,421)	12,448		
Provision for loan losses	(8,058)	—	(8,058)		
Market valuation adjustments, net	(419)	—	(419)		
Net Interest (Loss) Income After Provision and MVA at Sequoia	\$ 11,392	\$ (7,421)	\$ 3,971		

Net interest (loss) income after provision and MVA at Sequoia was a loss of \$8 million in the first quarter of 2009 as compared to income of \$4 million in the first quarter of 2008, a decline of \$12 million. The primary reason for this decline was higher loan loss provision expenses recorded during the first quarter of 2009. The provision for loan losses was \$16 million for the first quarter of 2009, as compared to \$8 million for first quarter of 2008, an increase of \$8 million. The allowance for loan losses increased to \$48 million or

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1.06% of the residential loan balance at March 31, 2009, from \$36 million or 0.77% at December 31, 2008. Serious delinquencies (90+ days delinquent) increased to \$158 million, or 3.50% of residential loan balances at March 31, 2009, from \$120 million, or 2.61% at December 31, 2008.

Although we report our provision, allowance, and delinquency information on a consolidated basis, the credit performance of each Sequoia securitization is separate and independent and may vary significantly from the credit performance of other Sequoia securitizations. We may be required for GAAP reporting purposes to record an allowance for loan losses on certain pools of loans that in aggregate exceeds our investment at risk in those pools. As of March 31, 2009, we had recorded a loan loss allowance that exceeded the outstanding face amount of our subordinate investments in one of these pools by \$15 million. Upon the occurrence of certain events, which may occur in the second quarter, we will be permitted to deconsolidate that Sequoia entity and, upon deconsolidation, would record a gain to the extent of the excess allowance for loan losses. To the extent actual and expected losses on the collateral pools increase, the disparity between the reported GAAP book value of our investments and their economic value could grow during 2009.

Net interest income at Sequoia was \$9 million in the first quarter of 2009 as compared to \$12 million in the first quarter of 2008, a decline of \$3 million. The reasons for this decline were lower benchmark LIBOR rates on adjustable rate residential loans and lower average residential loan balances.

Interest income at Sequoia was \$34 million in the first quarter of 2009, as compared to \$95 million in the first quarter of 2008, a decline of \$61 million. The following table details how interest income changed as a result of changes in average earning asset balances ("volume") and changes in interest yields ("rate").

Table 17 Interest Income at Sequoia — Volume and Rate Changes

(In Thousands)	Change in Interest Income Three Months Ended March 31, 2009 vs. March 31, 2008		
	Volume	Rate	Total Change
	Real estate loans	\$ (32,113)	\$ (29,407)
Cash and cash equivalents	(11)	(16)	(27)
Total Interest Income	\$ (32,124)	\$ (29,423)	\$ (61,547)

Interest income declined because of lower volume and lower benchmark interest rates during the first quarter of 2009 as compared to the first quarter of 2008. Average loan balances at Sequoia decreased to \$4.6 billion in the first quarter of 2009, from \$6.9 billion in the first quarter of 2008. This decline was due to loan principal repayments, lack of new loan acquisition activity, and the derecognition of certain Sequoia entities during the fourth quarter of 2008. The average prepayment rate for Sequoia loans was 9% during the first quarter of 2009 as compared to 25% in the first quarter of 2008. At March 31, 2009, 85% of loan principal outstanding consisted of one-month or six-month LIBOR ARMs and 15% of loan principal outstanding consisted of hybrid ARMs.

A significant offset to interest income is the loan premium amortization that we expense each period to reduce the net unamortized purchase premium for loans at Sequoia. Loan premium amortization was \$7 million for the first quarter of 2009 as compared to \$8 million in the first quarter of 2008. As a percent of gross interest income, loan premium amortization was 22% for the first quarter of 2009 and 8% for the same period of 2008. The amount and timing of periodic amortization has historically been volatile due to the GAAP accounting elections we apply. For the last several years, loan premium amortization has not kept pace with loan prepayments due to the amortization method we apply for a portion of loans at Sequoia. This method more closely links amortization to short-term interest rates and resulted in lower premium expenses during prior periods when LIBOR increased. Since LIBOR remained relatively stable during the first quarter of 2009, we expect premium amortization expenses to be lower in the second quarter than in the first quarter.

The following table details how interest expense at Sequoia changed as a result of changes in average debt balances ("volume") and interest yields ("rate").

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Table 18 Interest Expense at Sequoia — Volume and Rate Changes

(In Thousands)	Change in Interest Expense Three Months Ended March 31, 2009 vs. March 31, 2008		
	Volume	Rate	Total Change
	ABS Issued	\$ (27,940)	\$ (29,670)
Total Interest Expense	\$ (27,940)	\$ (29,670)	\$ (57,610)

Interest expense declined due to lower average borrowings and lower interest rates during the first quarter of 2009 as compared to the first quarter of 2008. The reduction in volume was due to the derecognition of certain Sequoia entities in the fourth quarter of 2008 and paydowns on ABS issued with no new issuances over the past year.

The following table presents the cost of funds at Sequoia for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008.

Table 19 Cost of Funds of Asset-Backed Securities Issued by Sequoia

(Dollars in Thousands)	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2009	2008
Interest expense	\$ 24,875	\$ 82,986
Issuance premium amortization, net	(335)	(2,183)
Deferred bond issuance amortization	553	2,093
Interest rate agreements, net	21	156
Total ABS Issued Interest Expense	\$ 25,114	\$ 83,052
Average balance of ABS issued	\$4,460,962	\$6,475,557
Interest expense	2.23%	4.92%
Issuance premium amortization, net	(0.03)%	(0.13)%
Deferred bond issuance amortization	0.05%	0.12%
Interest rate agreements, net	—	0.01%
Cost of Funds of ABS Issued	2.25%	4.92%

Sequoia ABS issued generally pay interest based on one or six-month LIBOR, or in some instances, passes through the weighted average interest earned on the underlying assets. Interest expense declined due to lower average balances of ABS and lower interest rates. Some of the ABS issued was sold at a premium, which we amortize as a component of interest expense over time. We also defer and amortize Sequoia ABS issuance costs over time as a component of interest expense.

Results of Operations — Acacia

Acacia is our brand name for the CDO securitization entities that we sponsor. The assets held by Acacia entities primarily consist of senior securities and some subordinate securities. These securities are backed by prime and non-prime residential real estate loans and commercial real estate loans. Acacia also owns other real estate assets such as real estate CDO securities, corporate debt issued by equity REITs, real estate loans, and synthetic real estate assets. Although our exposure to the assets collateralizing these entities is limited to our investments in each Acacia securitization, we are required under GAAP to consolidate the assets and liabilities of Acacia entities on our consolidated balance sheets. Our investment in each Acacia entity is separate and independent, thus diminished performance on one of our investments would have no effect on our investments in the other Acacia entities.

Prior to 2008, we were required under GAAP to record most of the assets at Acacia at their estimated fair values and their paired liabilities at their amortized cost. This created an accounting discrepancy that resulted in a significant disparity between the GAAP book value and the economic value of our investments in Acacia. As of January 1, 2008, we elected to adopt FAS 159 to value both the assets and liabilities of the Acacia entities, which significantly reduced the amount of this disparity.

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The following table presents the net interest (loss) income after MVA at Acacia for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008.

Table 20 Net Interest (Loss) Income After MVA at Acacia

(Dollars in Thousands)	Three Months Ended March 31,					
	2009			2008		
	Total Interest Income	Average Balance	Yield	Interest Income	Average Amortized Cost	Yield
Interest Income						
Commercial real estate loans	\$ 272	\$ 11,144	9.76%	\$ 371	\$ 21,941	6.76%
Trading securities	22,103	318,094	27.79%	45,462	1,339,201	13.58%
Other investments	76	75,359	0.40%	732	78,771	3.72%
Cash and cash equivalents	86	39,426	0.87%	902	128,620	2.81%
Total Interest Income	22,537			47,467		
Interest Expense						
ABS issued	(19,695)	325,392	(24.21)%	(44,367)	1,456,506	(12.18)%
Interest rate agreement expense	(1,077)			(1,089)		
Total Interest Expense	(20,772)			(45,456)		
Net Interest Income	1,765			2,011		
Market valuation adjustments, net	(12,367)			(26,853)		
Net Interest Loss After MVA at Acacia	\$(10,602)			\$(24,842)		

Net interest loss after MVA at Acacia was a loss of \$11 million in the first quarter of 2009 as compared to a loss of \$25 million in the first quarter of 2008, a decline in loss of \$14 million. The primary reason for this decline in loss was lower negative MVA. Negative MVA was lower by \$14 million in the first quarter of 2009 compared to the first quarter of 2008. We detail these adjustments in a separate Mark-to-Market Adjustments section. Net interest income at Acacia was \$2 million in both the first quarters of 2009 and 2008 as lower interest income was offset by lower interest expense.

We received \$1 million of cash distributions from our Acacia equity investments during the first quarter of 2009. As of the first quarter of 2009, nine of ten Acacia equity investments stopped receiving cash distributions due to performance deficiencies (consisting primarily of rating agency downgrades on securities held at Acacia entities), which significantly affected the yield we expect to earn on these investments.

Interest income at Acacia was \$23 million in the first quarter of 2009, as compared to \$48 million in the first quarter of 2008, a decline of \$25 million. The following table details how interest income changed as a result of changes in average earning asset balances ("volume") and changes in interest yields ("rate").

Table 21 Interest Income at Acacia — Volume and Rate Changes

(In Thousands)	Change in Interest Income		
	Three Months Ended		
	March 31, 2009 vs. March 31, 2008		
	Volume	Rate	Total Change
Real estate loans	\$ (183)	\$ 84	\$ (99)
Trading securities	(34,664)	11,305	(23,359)
Other investments	(32)	(624)	(656)
Cash and cash equivalents	(626)	(190)	(816)
Total Interest Income	\$(35,505)	\$10,575	\$(24,930)

Interest income declined primarily because of lower volume due to impairment charges on securities which reduced average balances. Partially offsetting lower volume is that the yields we accrete on many securities have increased as a result of lower market values, despite generally lower short-term LIBOR index rates during the first quarter of 2009 as compared to the first quarter of 2008.

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Interest expense at Acacia was \$21 million in the first quarter of 2009, as compared to \$46 million in the first quarter of 2008, a decline of \$25 million. The following table details how interest expense at Acacia changed as a result of changes in average debt balances ("volume") and interest yields ("rate").

Table 22 Interest Expense at Acacia — Volume and Rate Changes

(In Thousands)	Change in Interest Expense		
	Three Months Ended		
	March 31, 2009 vs. March 31, 2008		
	Volume	Rate	Total Change
ABS Issued	\$ (35,301)	\$ 10,617	\$ (24,684)
Total Interest Expense	\$(35,301)	\$ 10,617	\$(24,684)

Interest expense declined primarily because of lower volume due to lower average borrowings. Although interest rates have generally been lower during the first quarter of 2009 than the first quarter of 2008, the market value decreases on Acacia liabilities have increased the yields we recognize for interest expense.

Mark-to-Market Adjustments

Negative mark-to-market adjustments continue to be the most significant factor affecting our earnings. Mark-to-market adjustments are changes in the fair values of financial assets and liabilities, and REO properties. The accounting rules that determine the measurement of fair values and the timing and amount of market valuation adjustments that flow through our consolidated statements of (loss) income are complex and may not clearly reflect the timing, nature, and extent of economic changes impacting the fair values of our investments during any specific reporting period. The Recent Developments section details the economic factors that impacted the fair values of our investments during the quarter.

The following tables detail the mark-to-market adjustments that occurred in the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008, and their effect on our consolidating income statements and balance sheets.

Table 23 Mark-to-Market Adjustments Impact on Consolidating Income Statement and Balance Sheet

(In Millions)	Three Months Ended March 31, 2009				
	Redwood	The Fund	Sequoia	Acacia	Total
Income Statement Impact					
Changes in fair value assets	\$ (1)	\$ —	\$ (1)	\$ (44)	\$ (46)
Changes in fair value liabilities	—	—	—	32	32
Impairment on AFS securities	(25)	(4)	—	—	(29)
Total income statement impact	(26)	(4)	(1)	(12)	(43)
Balance Sheet Impact					
Net change in OCI	(28)	(4)	—	—	(32)
Total Mark-to-Market Adjustments	\$(54)	\$(8)	\$(1)	\$(12)	\$(75)
(In Millions)	Three Months Ended March 31, 2008				
	Redwood	The Fund	Sequoia	Acacia	Total
Income Statement Impact					
Changes in fair value assets	\$ (23)	\$ —	—	\$ (837)	\$ (860)

Changes in fair value liabilities	—	—	—	810	810
Impairment on AFS securities	(144)	—	—	—	(144)
Total income statement impact	(167)	—	—	(27)	(194)
Balance Sheet Impact					
Net change in OCI	20	1	—	—	21
Total Mark-to-Market Adjustments	\$ (147)	\$ 1	—	\$ (27)	\$ (173)

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Mark-to-Market Adjustments at Redwood

At Redwood, we classify most securities (excluding our investments in Sequoia and Acacia) as AFS and report these securities at their fair values in accordance with FAS 115. Net mark-to-market adjustments were negative \$54 million in the first quarter of 2009, as compared to negative \$147 million in the first quarter of 2008.

We recorded \$25 million of the total mark-to-market adjustments as other-than-temporary impairments through our income statement for the three months ended March 31, 2009, primarily due to changes in the market's expectation of cash flows and credit. We continue to expect impairments to occur and the levels of impairments may vary significantly from quarter to quarter.

The following tables detail the mark-to-market adjustments on Redwood securities by underlying collateral type and by vintage for the three months ended March 31, 2009.

Table 24 Mark-to-Market Adjustments by Underlying Collateral Type at Redwood

(In Millions)	Three Months Ended March 31, 2009				
	Senior	Subordinate	Loans, & Derivatives	Total	MTM ⁽¹⁾ Percentage
Residential					
Prime	\$ (9)	\$ (11)	—	\$ (20)	(14)%
Non-prime	(16)	(2)	—	(18)	(18)%
Residential total	(25)	(13)	—	(38)	
Commercial	—	(15)	—	(15)	(37)%
CDO	—	(1)	—	(1)	(21)%
Interest rate agreements & other derivatives	—	—	—	—	
Total Mark-to-Market Adjustments	\$ (25)	\$ (29)	—	\$ (54)	

(1) This percentage represents the mark-to-market adjustments taken as a percentage of the reported market values at the beginning of the period, or the purchase price if acquired during the period.

Table 25 Mark-to-Market Adjustments by Vintage on Securities at Redwood
Three Months Ended March 31, 2009

(In Millions)	Vintage					Loans & Derivatives	Total
	2004 & Earlier	2005	2006	2007	2008		
Mark-to-Market Adjustments	\$ (12)	\$ (21)	\$ (10)	\$ (11)	—	—	\$ (54)

Mark-to-Market Adjustments at the Fund

At March 31, 2009, all of the investments held by the Fund were classified as AFS securities. During the first quarter of 2009, there were \$8 million of negative mark-to-market adjustments, of which \$4 million were deemed other-than-temporary impairments.

The following tables detail the mark-to-market adjustments on securities at the Fund by underlying collateral type.

Table 26 Mark-to-Market Adjustments by Underlying Collateral Type at the Fund

(In Millions)	Three Months Ended March 31, 2009				
	Senior	Subordinate	Total	MTM ⁽¹⁾ Percentage	
Residential non-prime	\$ (4)	\$ —	\$ (4)	(11)%	
CDO	—	(4)	(4)	(36)%	
Total Mark-to-Market Adjustments	\$ (4)	\$ (4)	\$ (8)		

(1) This percentage represents the mark-to-market adjustments taken as a percentage of the reported market values at the beginning of the period, or the purchase price if acquired during the period.

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Mark-to-Market Adjustments at Sequoia

All of the investments held by Sequoia were classified as held-for-investment loans or REO as of March 31, 2009. We had \$1 million of negative mark-to-market adjustments during the first quarter of 2009 stemming from a decrease in the fair value of REO.

Mark-to-Market Adjustments at Acacia

During the first quarter of 2009, the net change in fair values of Acacia assets and liabilities was negative \$12 million.

Table 27 Mark-to-Market Adjustments by Underlying Collateral Type at Acacia

(In Millions)	Three Months Ended March 31, 2009				
	Senior	Subordinate	Loans, Liabilities & Derivatives	Total	MTM ⁽¹⁾ Percentage
Residential					
Prime	\$ (1)	\$ —	\$ —	\$ (1)	(1)%
Non-prime	(6)	(7)	—	(13)	(7)%
Residential total	(7)	(7)	—	(14)	
Commercial	—	(25)	(2)	(27)	(37)%
CDO	—	(6)	—	(6)	(27)%
Interest rate agreements & other derivatives	—	—	3	3	
ABS Issued	—	—	32	32	
Total Mark-to-Market Adjustments	\$ (7)	\$ (38)	\$ 33	\$ (12)	

(1) This percentage represents the mark-to-market adjustments taken as a percentage of the reported market values at the beginning of the period, or the purchase price if acquired during the period.

Estimated Taxable Income (Loss)

The following table details our estimated taxable income and distribution detail for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and 2008.

Table 28 Estimated Taxable (Loss) Income and Distributions to Shareholders

(In Thousands, Except per Share Data)	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2009	2008
Estimated Taxable (Loss) Income		
REIT taxable (loss) income	\$ (8,701)	\$ 24,734
Taxable REIT subsidiary (loss) income	(4,846)	1,088
Total Estimated Taxable (Loss) Income	\$ (13,547)	\$ 25,822
Distributed to shareholders	\$ 15,087	\$ 24,724
Undistributed REIT Taxable Income	—	\$ 64,582
Undistributed REIT Taxable Income Per Share	—	\$ 1.97

For the three months ended March 31, 2009, we paid a regular quarterly dividend of \$0.25. Since we currently expect a tax loss in 2009, the dividends we pay to shareholders in 2009 will likely be characterized as return of capital. Dividends characterized as return of capital are not taxable and reduce the basis of shares held at each quarterly distribution date. For the three months ended March 31, 2008, we paid \$0.75 per share in dividends.

Our estimated taxable income for the first quarter of 2009 was negative \$14 million (\$0.22 per share) and included \$53 million in credit losses. This compared to estimated taxable income for the first quarter of 2008 of positive \$26 million (\$0.79 per share), which included \$14 million of credit losses. We continue to expect credit losses to be the primary factor in our taxable income (loss) results for 2009.

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The tables below reconcile our GAAP and tax income for the first three months of 2009 and 2008.

Table 29 Differences between GAAP Net (Loss) Income and Estimated Taxable Income

(In Thousands, Except per Share Data)	Three Months Ended March 31, 2009		
	GAAP	Tax	Differences
Interest Income	\$ 81,438	\$ 50,484	\$ (30,954)
Interest Expense	(47,642)	(1,330)	46,312
Net Interest Income	33,796	49,154	15,358
Provision for loan losses	(16,032)	—	16,032
Realized credit losses	—	(52,613)	(52,613)
Market valuation adjustments, net	(43,242)	—	43,242
Operating expenses	(10,539)	(10,088)	451
Realized gains on sales and calls, net	462	—	(462)
Provision for income taxes	(105)	—	105
Less: Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest	(716)	—	716
Net Loss	\$ (34,944)	\$ (13,547)	\$ 21,397
Estimated taxable earnings per share	\$ (0.65)	\$ (0.22)	\$ 0.43
(In Thousands, Except per Share Data)	Three Months Ended March 31, 2008		
	GAAP	Tax	Differences
Interest Income	\$ 176,064	\$ 57,036	\$ (119,028)
Interest Expense	(127,300)	(2,014)	125,286
Net Interest Income	48,764	55,022	6,258
Provision for loan losses	(8,058)	—	8,058
Realized credit losses	—	(13,564)	(13,564)
Market valuation adjustments, net	(193,932)	—	193,932
Operating expenses	(16,348)	(14,995)	1,353
Realized gains on sales and calls, net	42	—	(42)
Provision for income taxes	(1,800)	(641)	1,159
Less: Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest	255	—	(255)
Net Loss	\$ (171,587)	\$ 25,822	\$ 197,409
Estimated taxable earnings per share	\$ (5.28)	\$ 0.79	\$ 6.07

Significant differences between GAAP and tax accounting include: (i) net interest income for tax is higher due to the fact we cannot anticipate future credit losses in determining the current period yield for an asset; we generally amortize more of an asset's purchase discount into income for tax than for GAAP prior to anticipated credit losses occurring; (ii) for GAAP, we take credit provisions for loan losses while for tax we cannot establish loan loss reserves for future anticipated events; (iii) realized credit losses are expensed when incurred for tax; for GAAP, these losses are anticipated through lower yields on assets or through the loan loss provisions; and, (iv) the timing, and for some expenses, the amount, of some of our compensation expenses are different under GAAP accounting than for tax accounting, and (v) for tax purposes, we do not consolidate noncontrolling interests as we do under GAAP.

Potential GAAP Earnings Volatility

We expect quarter-to-quarter GAAP earnings volatility from our business activities at Redwood and our consolidated entities. This volatility can occur for a variety of reasons, including the timing and amount of purchases, sales, calls, and repayment of consolidated assets, changes in the fair values of consolidated assets and liabilities, and certain non-recurring events. In addition, volatility may occur because of technical accounting issues, some of which are described below.

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Changes in Premium Amortization for Loans at Sequoia

The unamortized premium for loans owned by Sequoia was \$60 million at March 31, 2009. The amount of periodic premium amortization expense we recognize is volatile and dependent on a number of factors, including credit performance of the underlying loans, changes in prepayment speeds, and changes in short-term interest rates. Loan premium amortization was \$7 million in the first quarter of 2009, compared to \$1 million in the fourth quarter of 2008, and \$8 million in the first quarter of 2008. We expect loan premium amortization in the second quarter of 2009 to be below the first quarter's level.

Changes in Discount Amortization for Securities at Redwood and the Fund

The unamortized discount, net of designated credit reserves, for securities owned at Redwood and the Fund was \$232 million at March 31, 2009. The amount of periodic discount amortization income we recognize is volatile and dependent on a number of factors, including credit performance of the underlying loans, changes in prepayment speeds, and changes in short-term interest rates. Discount amortization on securities was \$5 million in the first quarter of 2009, compared to negative \$1 million in the fourth quarter of 2008, and \$11 million in the first quarter of 2008, illustrating the volatility of this income. We expect discount amortization income in the second quarter of 2009 to be higher than in the first quarter.

Changes in Fair Values of Securities

All of the securities owned at Redwood and consolidated entities are classified as either trading or available-for-sale (AFS) securities, and in both cases are carried on our consolidated balance sheets at their estimated fair values. For trading securities, changes in fair values are recorded in the consolidated statements of (loss) income. Periodic fluctuations in the values of these investments are inherently volatile and thus can lead to significant GAAP earnings volatility each quarter.

For AFS securities, cumulative unrealized gains and losses are recorded as a component of accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income in our consolidated statements of equity. Unrealized gains and losses are not charged against current earnings to the extent they are temporary in nature. Certain factors may require us however, to recognize these amounts as other-than-temporary impairments and record them through our current earnings. Factors that currently determine other than temporary impairment include a change in our ability or intent to hold assets, adverse changes to projected cash flows of assets, or the likelihood that declines in the fair values of assets would not return to their previous levels within a reasonable time. Impairments on securities are generally non-recurring and can lead to significant GAAP earnings volatility each quarter. New accounting standards that are effective in the second quarter changes the impairment process and accounting impact.

As of January 1, 2008, we elected to adopt a new accounting standard, FAS 159, to record the assets and liabilities in Acacia and certain other assets at Redwood at fair value with changes in fair value recorded as a component of market valuation adjustments, net, in our consolidated statements of (loss) income. We may also elect the fair value option for certain new acquisitions in the future. Our FAS 159 elections significantly reduced the disparity that existed between the GAAP carrying value of our Acacia equity investments and our estimate of their economic value. However, valuation changes in these financial instruments are inherently volatile and can lead to significant GAAP earnings volatility each quarter.

Changes in Fair Values of Derivative Financial Instruments

We can experience significant earnings volatility from our use of derivatives. We generally use derivatives to hedge cash flows on assets and liabilities that have different coupon rates (fixed rates versus floating rates, or floating rates based on different indices). The nature of the instruments we use and the accounting treatment for the specific assets, liabilities, and derivatives may lead to volatile periodic earnings, even when we are meeting our hedging objectives.

All derivatives are currently accounted for as trading instruments and their changes in market values flow through our consolidated statements of (loss) income. The assets and liabilities we hedge may not be similarly accounted for as our hedging derivatives (e.g., they may be reported at cost, or only impairments may be reported through our consolidated statements of (loss) income). This could lead to reported income and book values in specific periods that do not necessarily reflect the economics of our hedging strategy. Even when the

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assets and liabilities are similarly accounted for as trading instruments, periodic changes in their value may not coincide as other market factors (e.g., supply and demand) may affect certain instruments and not others at any given time.

Future Changes in Accounting Principles

Changes in accounting principles can have a significant impact on the amount or timing of our reported GAAP earnings.

Potential Taxable Income Volatility

We expect quarter-to-quarter estimated taxable income volatility for a variety of reasons, including the timing of credit losses and prepayments on our investments and the tax accounting for equity awards, as described below.

Credit Losses on Securities and Loans at Redwood

To determine estimated taxable income we are not permitted to anticipate, or reserve for, credit losses on investments which are generally purchased at a discount. For tax purposes, we accrete the entire purchase discount on a security into taxable income over the expected life of the security. Estimated taxable income is only reduced when actual credit losses occur. For GAAP purposes, we establish a credit reserve and only accrete a portion of the purchase discount, if any, into income. We are also required to write-down securities that become impaired for GAAP. Our income recognition is therefore faster for tax as compared to GAAP, especially in the early years of owning a security (when there are generally few credit losses). At March 31, 2009, the cumulative difference between the GAAP and tax amortized costs basis of our residential, commercial, and CDO subordinate securities (excluding our investments in Sequoia and Acacia) was \$501 million. In addition, as of March 31, 2009, we had an allowance for loan losses (GAAP) of \$48 million for our consolidated residential and commercial loans. As we have no credit reserves or allowances for tax, any future credit losses on securities or loans will have a more significant impact on tax earnings than on GAAP earnings and may create significant taxable income volatility to the extent the level of credit losses fluctuates during reporting periods.

Income Recognition on Interest-Only Securities (IOs) at Sequoia

As part of our investment in Sequoia securitization entities, we may retain interest-only (IOs) securities at the time they are issued. Our current tax basis in these securities is \$33 million. The return on IO securities is sensitive to prepayments. Typically, fast prepayments reduce yields and slow prepayments increase yields. We are not permitted to recognize a negative yield under tax accounting rules, so during periods of fast prepayments our periodic premium expense for tax purposes can be relatively low and the tax cost basis for these securities may not be significantly reduced. In periods prior to 2008, we did experience fast prepayments on these loans. More recently, prepayments have been slowing, and our tax basis is now below the fair values for these IOs. Many of our Sequoia securitizations are callable or will become callable over the next two years, although we do not currently anticipate calling any Sequoia securitizations in 2009 or 2010. If we do call a Sequoia, the remaining tax basis in the IOs is written off creating an ordinary loss at the call date.

Compensation Expense at Redwood

The total tax expense for equity award compensation is dependent upon varying factors such as the timing of payments of dividend equivalent rights, the exercise of stock options, the distribution of deferred stock units, and the deferrals to and withdrawals from our Executive Deferred Compensation Plan. For GAAP, the total expense associated with an equity award is determined at the award date and is generally recognized over the vesting period. For tax, the total expense is recognized at the date of distribution or exercise and not the award date. In addition, some compensation may not be deductible for tax if it exceeds certain levels and is not performance-based. The total amount of compensation expense could therefore be significantly different for tax than for GAAP in addition to any differences in timing.

Financial Condition

The consolidating balance sheet presents our financial condition at Redwood, including our investments in the Fund, Sequoia, and Acacia entities. We consolidate these entities for GAAP reporting purposes; they are

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not separate business segments. The following presentation highlights the impact from the consolidation of those entities on our overall financial condition. A discussion of significant balance sheet accounts is provided in the section that follows.

Table 30 Consolidating Balance Sheet

March 31, 2009 (In Millions)	Redwood Parent Only	The Fund	Sequoia	Acacia	Intercompany Adjustments	Redwood Consolidated
Real estate loans	\$ 3	\$ —	\$ 4,528	\$ 10	\$ —	\$ 4,541
Real estate securities, at fair value:						
Trading securities	4	—	—	260	—	264
Available-for-sale securities	217	38	—	72	(72)	255
Other investments	—	—	—	62	—	62
Cash and cash equivalents	333	—	—	—	—	333
Investment in the Fund	22	—	—	—	(22)	—
Investment in Sequoia	70	—	—	—	(70)	—
Investment in Acacia	7	—	—	—	(7)	—
Total earning assets	656	38	4,528	404	(171)	5,455
Other assets	25	4	38	59	—	126
Total Assets	\$ 681	\$ 42	\$ 4,566	\$ 463	\$ (171)	\$ 5,581
Short-term debt	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Other liabilities	25	2	6	165	—	198
Asset-backed securities issued	—	—	4,490	—	(72)	4,418
— Sequoia	—	—	—	—	—	—
— Acacia	—	—	—	291	—	291
Long-term debt	150	—	—	—	—	150
Total liabilities	175	2	4,496	456	(72)	5,057
Stockholders' equity	506	22	70	7	(99)	506
Noncontrolling interest	—	18	—	—	—	18
Total equity	506	40	70	7	(99)	524
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$ 681	\$ 42	\$ 4,566	\$ 463	\$ (171)	\$ 5,581

At March 31, 2009, our stockholders' equity totaled \$506 million and we had unrestricted cash of \$333 million and no short-term debt.

Residential Real Estate Loans at Sequoia and Redwood

We did not acquire any residential real estate loans during the first quarter of 2009. We may resume acquiring residential real estate loans on a bulk or flow basis from originators once the economics for securitization improve. Prior to 2006, our loan purchases were predominately comprised of short reset LIBOR-indexed ARMs. Beginning in 2006, we expanded our acquisitions to include hybrid loans (loans with a fixed-rate coupon for a period of two to ten years before becoming adjustable).

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The following table provides details of our residential real estate loans activity the first quarter of 2009. Loans are predominantly owned at Sequoia securitization entities and our reported activity is predominantly associated with those loans. The residential loans held at Redwood totaled \$3 million at March 31, 2009.

Table 31 Residential Real Estate Loans at Sequoia and Redwood — Activity

(In Millions)	Three Months Ended March 31, 2009
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 4,647
Principal repayments	(85)
Charge-offs, net	4

Transfers to REO	(12)
Premium amortization	(7)
Provision for credit losses	(16)
Balance at End of Period	\$ 4,531

Our residential real estate loan balance declined to \$4.5 billion at March 31, 2009, from \$4.6 billion at December 31, 2008. At March 31, 2009, 85% of residential loans (by unpaid principal balance) were one-month or six-month LIBOR ARMs and the remaining 15% were hybrid ARMs.

Real Estate Securities at Redwood

The following table provides details of our real estate securities activity at Redwood for the three months ended March 31, 2009.

Table 32 Real Estate Securities Activity at Redwood

Three Months Ended March 31, 2009

(In Millions)	Residential		Commercial	CDO	Total
	Senior	Subordinate			
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 94	\$ 51	\$ 42	\$ 4	\$ 191
Acquisitions	98	—	—	—	98
Sales	(1)	—	—	—	(1)
Principal repayments (including calls)	(7)	(8)	—	—	(15)
Recognized gains on calls, net	—	—	—	—	—
Discount amortization	3	3	(4)	—	2
Fair value adjustments, net	(25)	(13)	(15)	(1)	(54)
Balance at End of Period	\$ 162	\$ 33	\$ 23	\$ 3	\$ 221

Prime securities are residential mortgage-backed securities backed by high credit quality loans. Many of these loans are jumbo loans, with loan balances greater than existing conforming loan limits. Prime securities typically have relatively high weighted average FICO scores (700 or higher), low weighted average loan-to-value ratios (75% LTV or less), and limited concentrations of investor properties.

Non-prime securities are residential mortgage-backed securities that are not backed by high credit quality loans. Most of the borrowers backing non-prime loans have lower FICO scores or impaired credit histories, but exhibit the ability to repay the loan. To compensate for the greater risks and higher costs to service non-prime loans, borrowers often pay higher interest rates, and possibly higher origination fees. We use loss assumptions that are significantly higher when acquiring securities backed by non-prime loans than we use when acquiring securities backed by prime loans.

The following table presents the carrying value (which equals fair value) as a percent of face value for securities owned at Redwood at March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008. In aggregate, the fair value of these securities is 14% of face value.

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Table 33 Fair Value as Percent of Principal Value for Real Estate Securities at Redwood

March 31, 2009

(Dollars in Millions)	2004 & Earlier		2005		2006 – 2008		Total	
	Value	%	Value	%	Value	%	Value	%
Residential Senior								
Prime	\$ 5	69%	\$ 67	58%	\$ 16	43%	\$ 88	55%
Non-prime	26	62%	37	37%	11	26%	74	41%
Total	31	63%	104	49%	27	34%	162	47%
Residential Subordinate								
Prime	21	10%	5	6%	3	2%	29	7%
Non-prime	1	9%	1	7%	2	1%	4	1%
Total	22	2%	6	6%	5	1%	33	4%
Commercial	9	18%	4	4%	10	3%	23	4%
CDO	—	—	3	8%	—	—	3	8%
Total Securities at Redwood	\$ 62		\$ 117		\$ 42		\$ 221	

December 31, 2008

(Dollars in Millions)	2004 & Earlier		2005		2006 – 2008		Total	
	Value	%	Value	%	Value	%	Value	%
Residential Senior								
Prime	\$ —	—	\$ 36	61%	\$ 15	47%	\$ 51	56%
Non-prime	—	—	25	41%	18	37%	43	39%
Total	—	—	61	51%	33	41%	\$ 94	47%
Residential Subordinate								
Prime	33	14%	7	8%	4	3%	44	10%
Non-prime	1	2%	1	4%	5	1%	7	2%
Total	34	12%	8	7%	9	2%	51	6%
Commercial	10	21%	9	7%	23	7%	42	8%
CDO	—	—	4	9%	—	—	\$ 4	9%
Total Securities at Redwood	\$ 44		\$ 82		\$ 65		\$ 191	

Senior Securities at Redwood

Senior securities have the first right to cash flows from the underlying loans in the securitization and receive principal and interest from the initial distribution. At March 31, 2009, all senior securities owned at Redwood were backed by prime and non-prime residential loans.

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The following table presents the components of carrying value (which equals fair value) at March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008, for residential senior securities.

Table 34 Senior Securities at Redwood

March 31, 2009

(In Millions)	Residential	
	Prime	Non-Prime
Current face of AFS securities	\$ 160	\$ 174
Credit reserve	(1)	(4)
Net unamortized (discount) premium	(64)	(69)
Amortized cost	95	101
Gross unrealized market value gains	—	—
Gross unrealized market value losses	(7)	(28)
Carrying value of AFS securities	88	73
Carrying value of trading securities	—	1
Total Carrying Value of Senior Securities	\$ 88	\$ 74

December 31, 2008

(In Millions)	Residential	
	Prime	Non-Prime
Current face of AFS securities	\$ 90	\$ 100
Credit reserve	—	(4)
Net unamortized (discount) premium	(42)	(42)
Amortized cost	48	54
Gross unrealized market value gains	3	—
Gross unrealized market value losses	—	(12)
Carrying value of AFS securities	51	42
Carrying value of trading securities	—	1
Total Carrying Value of Senior Securities	\$ 51	\$ 43

Our residential senior securities portfolio totaled \$162 million at March 31, 2009, an increase from \$94 million at December 31, 2008. This increase was the result of net acquisitions of \$98 million, partially offset by decreases in the fair values and paydowns of these securities. Of the \$98 million of senior securities acquired in the first quarter of 2009, 50% were prime securities and 50% were non-prime securities.

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The following table details our residential senior securities portfolio by the product type and collateral vintage at March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008.

Table 35 Senior Securities at Redwood — Product and Vintage

March 31, 2009

(In Millions)	Vintage			Total
	2004 & Earlier	2005	2006 – 2008	
Prime				
Hybrid	\$ 5	\$ 67	\$ 15	\$ 87
Fixed	—	—	1	1
Total prime	5	67	16	88
Non-prime				
Option ARM	—	13	5	18
Hybrid	26	18	6	50
Fixed	—	6	—	6
Total non-prime	26	37	11	74
Total Residential Senior Securities	\$ 31	\$ 104	\$ 27	\$ 162

December 31, 2008

(In Millions)	Vintage			Total
	2004 & Earlier	2005	2006 – 2008	
Prime				
Hybrid	—	\$ 36	\$ 13	\$ 49
Fixed	—	—	2	2
Total prime	—	36	15	51
Non-prime				
Option ARM	—	19	6	25
Hybrid	—	1	12	13
Fixed	—	5	—	5
Total non-prime	—	25	18	43
Total Residential Senior Securities	—	\$ 61	\$ 33	\$ 94

Subordinate Securities at Redwood

Subordinate securities are those that are not senior securities. They may be receiving principal and interest and will absorb losses prior to the senior securities. Subordinate securities may be in the first loss position although most of our subordinate securities are in the second through sixth loss position. As a result, we are generally able to acquire these securities at a discount to their face (principal) value. The following table presents the components of carrying value (which equals fair value) at March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008, for residential and commercial subordinate securities.

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Table 36 Subordinate Securities at Redwood

March 31, 2009

(In Millions)	Residential		Commercial
	Prime	Non-Prime	
Current face of AFS securities	\$ 419	\$ 307	\$ 512
Credit reserve	(292)	(305)	(498)
Net unamortized (discount) premium	(87)	—	14
Amortized cost	40	2	28
Gross unrealized market value gains	1	2	2
Gross unrealized market value losses	(13)	—	(7)
Carrying value of AFS securities	28	4	23
Carrying value of trading securities	1	—	—
Total Carrying Value of Subordinate Securities	\$ 29	\$ 4	\$ 23

December 31, 2008

(In Millions)	Residential		Commercial
	Prime	Non-Prime	
Current face of AFS securities	\$ 448	\$ 423	\$ 514
Credit reserve	(308)	(419)	(497)
Net unamortized (discount) premium	(91)	—	35
Amortized cost	49	4	52
Gross unrealized market value gains	1	3	2
Gross unrealized market value losses	(7)	—	(12)
Carrying value of AFS securities	43	7	42
Carrying value of trading securities	1	—	—
Total Carrying Value of Subordinate Securities	\$ 44	\$ 7	\$ 42

Residential Subordinate Securities at Redwood

Our residential subordinate securities had a fair value of \$33 million at March 31, 2009, a decrease of \$18 million from \$51 million at December 31, 2008. The primary reason for this decline was negative mark-to-market adjustments on these securities during the first quarter of 2009.

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The following table details our residential subordinate securities portfolios by the product type and collateral vintage at March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008.

Table 37 Residential Subordinate Securities at Redwood — Product and Vintage

March 31, 2009

(In Millions)	Vintage			Total
	2004 & Earlier	2005	2006 – 2008	
Prime				
ARM	\$ 1	—	—	\$ 1
Hybrid	15	5	1	21
Fixed	5	—	2	7
Total prime	21	5	3	29
Non-prime				
Option ARM	1	1	2	4
Total non-prime	1	1	2	4
Total Residential Subordinate Securities	\$ 22	\$ 6	\$ 5	\$ 33

December 31, 2008

(In Millions)	Vintage			
	2004 & Earlier	2005	2006	Total
Prime				
ARM	\$ 3	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 3
Hybrid	24	7	2	33
Fixed	6	—	2	8
Total prime	33	7	4	44
Non-prime				
Option ARM	1	1	3	5
Hybrid	—	—	1	1
Fixed	—	—	1	1
Total non-prime	1	1	5	7
Total Residential Subordinate Securities	\$ 34	\$ 8	\$ 9	\$ 51

The loans underlying all of our residential subordinate securities totaled \$110 billion at March 31, 2009, and consist of \$94 billion prime and \$16 billion non-prime. These loans are located nationwide with a large concentration in California (46%). During the first quarter of 2009, realized residential credit losses were \$137 million of principal value, a rate that equals 50 basis points (0.50%) of current loan balances on an annualized basis. Serious delinquencies (90+ days, in foreclosure or REO) at March 31, 2009 were 5.22% of current balances. These delinquencies were 2.44% of current balances for loans in prime pools and 21.75% of current balances for loans in non-prime pools.

Commercial Subordinate Securities at Redwood

Our commercial subordinate securities totaled \$23 million at March 31, 2009, as compared to \$42 million at December 31, 2008, a decline of \$19 million. This decline was primarily due to declines in the fair values of securities, as there were no acquisitions or sales of commercial subordinate securities during the first quarter of 2009. We may acquire commercial securities in the future if pricing for these securities becomes attractive to us relative to the risks taken.

At March 31, 2009, commercial subordinate securities provided credit enhancement on \$48 billion of underlying loans on office, retail, multifamily, industrial, and other income-producing properties nationwide. Seriously delinquent loans underlying commercial subordinate securities were \$684 million at March 31, 2009, an increase of \$122 million from December 31, 2008. Many of the delinquencies are concentrated within a

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few securities for which we have increased our credit reserves and impaired through our income statement. We consider our credit reserve of \$498 million to be adequate as of March 31, 2009.

Securities at the Fund

The fair value of securities held at the Fund was \$38 million at March 31, 2009, which includes \$20 million of unrealized losses due to declining fair values of securities. We recognized \$4 million of other-than-temporary impairments on these securities in the first quarter of 2009. The following table provides information on the activity at the Fund for the three months ended March 31, 2009.

Table 38 Securities at the Fund — Activity

Three Months Ended March 31, 2009

(In Millions)	Residential				CDO	Total
	Senior	Subordinate	Commercial			
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 27	\$ 10	—	\$ 11	\$ 48	
Acquisitions	—	—	—	—	—	
Sales	—	—	—	—	—	
Recognized gains on sales, net	—	—	—	—	—	
Principal repayments (including calls)	(3)	(1)	—	—	(4)	
Recognized gains on calls, net	—	—	—	—	—	
Discount amortization	2	—	—	—	2	
Fair value adjustments, net	(4)	—	—	(4)	(8)	
Balance at End of Period	\$ 22	\$ 9	—	\$ 7	\$ 38	

The following table presents the carrying value (which equals fair value) as a percent of face value at March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008, for the securities at the Fund. In aggregate, the fair value of these securities is 24% of principal value at March 31, 2009.

Table 39 Fair Value as Percent of Principal Value for Real Estate Securities at the Fund

March 31, 2009

(Dollars in Millions)	Vintage						Total	
	2004 & Earlier		2005		2006 – 2008			
	Value	%	Value	%	Value	%		
Residential								
Senior non-prime	\$ 10	48%	\$ 11	30%	\$ 1	20%	\$ 22	35%
Subordinate non-prime	9	53%	—	—	—	—	9	53%
Total	19	50%	11	30%	1	20%	\$ 31	38%
CDO	3	6%	4	14%	—	—	7	9%
Total Securities at the Fund	\$ 22		\$ 15		\$ 1		\$ 38	

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December 31, 2008

(Dollars in Millions)	Vintage						Total	
	2004 & Earlier		2005		2006 – 2008			
	Value	%	Value	%	Value	%		
Residential								
Senior non-prime	\$ 11	50%	\$ 14	36%	\$ 2	29%	\$ 27	40%
Subordinate non-prime	10	54%	—	—	—	—	10	54%
Total	21	51%	14	36%	2	29%	37	43%
CDO	5	12%	6	19%	—	—	11	15%
Total Securities at the Fund	\$ 26		\$ 20		\$ 2		\$ 48	

Securities at Acacia

The following table provides detail on the activity for securities owned by Acacia entities for the three months ended March 31, 2009.

Table 40 Real Estate Securities at Acacia — Activity

Three Months Ended March 31, 2009

(In Millions)	Residential				CDO	Total
	Senior	Subordinate	Commercial			
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 103	\$ 142	\$ 68	\$ 21	\$ 334	
Acquisitions	—	—	—	—	—	
Sales	—	—	—	—	—	
Principal repayments	(7)	(21)	(1)	—	(29)	
Recognized gains on calls, net	—	—	—	—	—	
Fair valuation adjustments, net	(7)	(7)	(25)	(6)	(45)	
Balance at End of Period	\$ 89	\$ 114	\$ 42	\$ 15	\$ 260	

In addition to the \$260 million of real estate securities included in the table above, Acacia owned \$72 million of ABS issued by Sequoia, \$62 million in non-real estate securities, and \$10 million in commercial loans at March 31, 2009.

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The following table presents the carrying value (which equals fair value) as a percent of face value at March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008, for securities owned by Acacia entities. In the aggregate, the fair value of these securities is 9% of face value at March 31, 2009.

Table 41 Fair Value as Percent of Principal Value for Securities at Acacia

March 31, 2009

(Dollars in Millions)	Vintage							
	2004 & Earlier		2005		2006 - 2008		Total	
	Value	%	Value	%	Value	%	Value	%
Residential Senior								
Prime	\$ —	—	\$ 2	25%	\$ 1	12%	\$ 3	18%
Non-prime	5	41%	5	31%	76	32%	86	33%
Total	5	41%	7	29%	77	32%	89	32%
Residential Subordinate								
Prime	27	14%	7	4%	3	2%	37	6%
Non-prime	42	20%	30	8%	5	1%	77	5%
Total	69	17%	37	6%	8	1%	\$ 114	5%
Commercial	16	18%	17	9%	9	5%	42	9%
CDO	12	11%	1	3%	2	2%	\$ 15	6%
Total Securities at Acacia	\$ 102		\$ 62		\$ 96		\$ 260	

December 31, 2009

(Dollars in Millions)	Vintage							
	2004 & Earlier		2005		2006 - 2008		Total	
	Value	%	Value	%	Value	%	Value	%
Residential Senior								
Prime	\$ 5	85%	\$ 3	35%	\$ 4	26%	\$ 12	41%
Non-prime	6	44%	5	33%	80	35%	91	35%
Total	11	57%	8	34%	84	34%	103	36%
Residential Subordinate								
Prime	33	16%	8	4%	4	2%	45	7%
Non-prime	50	23%	39	10%	8	1%	97	6%
Total	83	20%	47	8%	12	1%	142	6%
Commercial	22	24%	28	16%	18	10%	68	15%
CDO	16	16%	2	4%	3	3%	21	9%
Total Securities at Acacia	\$ 132		\$ 85		\$ 117		\$ 334	

Derivative Financial Instruments

We enter into interest rate agreements to manage some of our interest rate risks. We hold these agreements with highly rated counterparties and maintain certain risk management policies limiting our exposure concentrations to any counterparty. At March 31, 2009, Redwood was party to interest rate agreements with an aggregate notional value of \$14 million and fair value of negative \$3 million. At March 31, 2009 the Acacia entities were party to interest rate agreements with an aggregate notional value of \$1.7 billion and a fair value of negative \$86 million. These are all accounted for as trading instruments and all changes in value and any net payments and receipts are recognized through our consolidated statements of (loss) income through market valuation adjustments, net.

One Acacia entity entered into credit default swaps (CDS) in the first quarter of 2007. At March 31, 2009, these CDS had a \$62 million notional balance and a fair value of negative \$62 million. At December 31, 2008, these CDS had a notional balance of \$78 million and a fair value of negative

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\$78 million. During the first quarter of 2009, the reference securities underlying our CDS experienced principal losses resulting in a \$17 million obligation. The decrease in fair value on CDS is included in market valuation adjustments, net, in our consolidated statements of (loss) income.

Asset-Backed Securities Issued — Sequoia and Acacia

Through our sponsored securitization entities, we have securitized the majority of the assets shown on our consolidated balance sheets. These entities acquire assets and issue asset-backed securities (ABS) in order to fund these acquisitions. The residential whole loan securitization entities we sponsor are called Sequoia and the CDO securitization entities we sponsor are called Acacia. These securitization entities are bankruptcy-remote from us, so that our liabilities cannot become liabilities of the securitization entities, and the ABS issued by the securitization entities cannot become obligations of ours. Nevertheless, GAAP requires us to consolidate the assets and liabilities from Sequoia and Acacia entities for financial statement reporting purposes.

At March 31, 2009, there was \$4.5 billion of loans owned by Sequoia securitization entities and reported at cost, which were funded with \$4.4 billion of Sequoia ABS issued that were also reported at cost. At March 31, 2009, there were \$260 million of securities owned by Acacia securitization entities and reported at fair value, which were funded with \$291 million of Acacia ABS issued that were also reported at fair value. In total, the assets of these two programs represent 92% of our consolidated earning assets and the liabilities (ABS issued) of these programs represent 95% of our consolidated liabilities.

The following table provides detail on the activity for asset-backed securities for the three months ended March 31, 2009.

Table 42 ABS Issued Activity — Sequoia and Acacia

(In Thousands)	Three Months Ended March 31, 2009				
	December 31, 2008	Paydowns	Amortization	Valuation Adjustments	March 31, 2009
	Sequoia ABS issued with principal value, net	\$4,484,595	\$ (88,308)	\$ (335)	\$ —
Sequoia ABS interest only issued	23,532	—	(1,132)	—	22,400
Total Sequoia ABS Issued	4,508,127	(88,308)	(1,467)	—	4,418,352
Acacia ABS Issued	346,931	(28,834)	—	(27,452)	290,645
Total ABS Issued	\$4,855,058	\$(117,142)	\$ (1,467)	\$ (27,452)	\$ 4,708,997

Long-term Debt

In 2006, we issued \$100 million of long-term debt in the form trust preferred securities through Redwood Capital Trust I, a wholly-owned Delaware statutory trust, in a private placement transaction. These trust preferred securities require quarterly distributions at a floating rate equal to three-month LIBOR plus 2.25% until the notes are redeemed in whole, which will be no later than January 30, 2037. The earliest optional redemption date without a penalty is January 30, 2012. In 2007, we issued \$50 million of long-term debt in the form of subordinated notes, which require quarterly distributions at a floating rate equal to three-month LIBOR plus 2.25% until the notes are redeemed, no later than July 30, 2037. The earliest optional redemption date without penalty is July 30, 2012. We may from time to time seek to purchase outstanding long-term debt in open market purchases, privately negotiated transactions, or otherwise. Any such repurchase would depend on numerous factors including, without limitation, pricing, market conditions, and our capital requirements.

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Contractual Obligations and Commitments

The following table presents our contractual obligations and commitments as of March 31, 2009, as well as the obligations of the securitization entities that we sponsor and consolidate for financial reporting purposes.

Table 43 Contractual Obligations and Commitments as of March 31, 2009

(In Millions)	Payments Due or Commitment Expiration by Period				
	Total	Less Than 1 Year	1 to 3 Years	3 to 5 Years	After 5 Years

Redwood Obligations:					
Short-term debt	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Long-term debt	150	—	—	—	150
Anticipated interest payments on long-term debt	213	5	13	15	180
Accrued interest payable	1	1	—	—	—
Operating leases	14	2	4	3	5
Purchase commitments	—	—	—	—	—
Total Redwood Obligations and Commitments	\$ 378	\$ 8	\$ 17	\$ 18	\$ 335
Obligations of Securitization Entities:					
Consolidated ABS ⁽¹⁾	\$ 7,506	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 7,506
Anticipated interest payments on ABS ⁽²⁾	5,301	254	463	626	3,958
Accrued interest payable	14	14	—	—	—
Total obligations of securitization entities	\$ 12,821	\$ 268	\$ 463	\$ 626	\$ 11,464
Total Consolidated Obligations and Commitments	\$ 13,199	\$ 276	\$ 480	\$ 644	\$ 11,799

(1) All consolidated ABS issued are collateralized by real estate loans and securities. Although the stated maturity is as shown, the ABS obligations will pay down as the principal of these real estate loans or securities pay down. The amount shown is the face value of the ABS issued and not necessarily the value reported in our consolidated financial statements.

(2) The anticipated interest payments on consolidated ABS issued is calculated based on the contractual maturity of the ABS and therefore assumes no prepayments of the principal outstanding as of March 31, 2009.

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Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss

The following table provides cumulative balances of unrealized gains and losses and carrying value by the type of real estate securities at March 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008. It also reflects the change in balances of cumulative unrealized (loss) gains during the first quarter of 2009.

Table 44 Cumulative Other Comprehensive Loss — Real Estate Securities

(In Millions)	Cumulative (Loss) Gain		Change in Unrealized (Loss) Gain		Reclassification of Loss to Noncontrolling Interest		Cumulative Loss Recognized in Equity		Carrying Value	
	December 31, 2008	March 31, 2009	Three Months Ended March 31, 2009	March 31, 2009	March 31, 2009	March 31, 2009	March 31, 2009	March 31, 2009	December 31, 2008	
	March 31, 2009									
Senior										
Residential	\$ (19)	\$ (29)	\$ 7	\$ (41)	\$ 184	\$ 119				
Total Senior	(19)	(29)	7	(41)	184	119				
Subordinate										
Residential	(6)	(7)	1	(12)	41	60				
Commercial	(10)	4	—	(6)	23	42				
CDO	(3)	—	2	(1)	7	11				
Total Subordinate	(19)	(3)	3	(19)	71	113				
Total Real Estate Securities	\$ (38)	\$ (32)	\$ 10	\$ (60)	\$ 255	\$ 232				

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Critical Accounting Policies

See the "Critical Accounting Policies" section in *Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations* in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008, for a detailed discussion of the Company's critical accounting policies. Since the issuance of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008, there have been no material changes to our critical accounting policies or the methodologies or assumptions we apply under them. We describe below certain recent pronouncements that will amend the critical accounting policies we apply in future periods.

Recent FASB Pronouncement on Fair Value Accounting

In April 2009, the FASB issued Financial Statement of Position FAS 157-4, *Determining Fair Value When the Volume and Level of Activity for the Asset or Liability Have Significantly Decreased and Identifying Transactions That Are Not Orderly* (FSP 157-4), which provides additional guidance to highlight and clarify the factors that should be considered in estimating fair value when there has been a significant decrease in market activity for an asset or liability. In addition, the FASB issued Financial Statement of Position FAS 107-1 and APB 28-1, *Interim Disclosure about Fair Value of Financial Instruments* (FSP 107-1), to require disclosures about fair value of financial instruments for interim reporting periods of publicly traded companies as well as in annual financial statements. Both FSPs are effective for interim and annual periods ending after June 15, 2009, with early adoption permitted. We will adopt FSPs 157-4 and 107-1 on April 1, 2009, for the six months ending June 30, 2009.

FSP 157-4 clarifies that when determining the fair value of an asset or liability that is not a Level 1 fair value measurement, an entity should assess whether the volume and level of activity for the asset or liability have significantly decreased when compared with normal market conditions. If the entity concludes that there has been a significant decrease in the volume and level of activity, a quoted price may not be determinative of fair value and may require a significant adjustment. FAS 157 does not prescribe a specific approach for calculating the adjustment and indicates that significant judgment is involved. However, FSP 157-4 clarifies that as part of this judgment, an entity may deem it necessary to change the valuation technique or use multiple valuation techniques in determining fair value when there has been a significant decline in the volume and level of activity. When using multiple valuation techniques, an entity needs to consider the reasonableness of the range of results provided by the valuation techniques and use the point within that range that is most representative of fair value under current market conditions. In addition, a wide range of results provided by multiple valuation techniques may indicate that further analysis is required.

FSP 157-4 emphasizes that entities need to include an adequate risk adjustment in the fair value measurement, since a market participant would demand a higher return if there is uncertainty in the cash flows. However, such a risk premium must be representative of an orderly transaction under current market conditions. FASB also asserts that a fair value measurement is not an entity-specific measurement but a market-based measurement. Further, in identifying transactions that are not orderly, an entity cannot assume that the observable transaction price is not orderly when the volume and level of activity for the asset or liability have significantly declined. Instead, an entity must perform an analysis to determine whether the observable price is representative of a transaction that is not orderly. In making this determination, an entity cannot ignore information that is available without undue cost and effort, but is also not required to undertake all possible efforts. We do not anticipate the implementation of this standard to have a material impact on our consolidated financial position and results of operations as our existing methodology is consistent with the FASB's clarification.

FSP 157-4 also requires enhanced disclosures for interim and annual periods with regard to the input and valuation techniques used to measure fair value. An entity is also required to qualitatively discuss the changes in valuation techniques and related assumptions in both interim and annual financial statement if there is a change to the valuation technique or related assumptions in measuring fair value. Additionally, FSP 107-1 expands the fair value disclosures required for all financial instruments within the scope of FAS 107 to interim periods for publicly traded entities. Further, the FSP requires entities to disclose the method(s) and significant assumptions used to estimate the fair value of financial instruments in financial statements on an interim basis and to highlight any changes of the methods and significant assumptions from prior periods.

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Recent FASB Pronouncement on Other-Than-Temporary Impairments

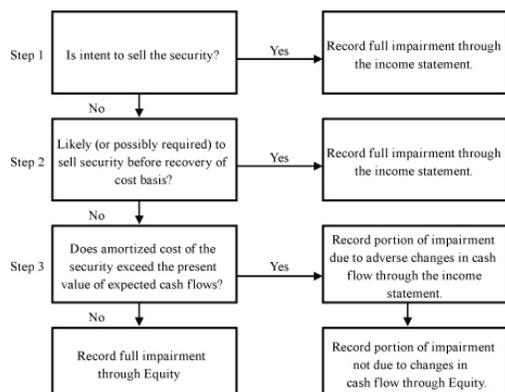
In April 2009, the FASB issued Financial Statement of Position FAS 115-2 and FAS 124-2, *Recognition and Presentation of Other-Than-Temporary Impairments* (FSP 115-2), which establishes a new method of recognizing and reporting other-than-temporary impairments of debt securities. Under the FSP, the primary change to the other-than-temporary impairment (OTTI) model for debt securities is the change in focus from an entity's intent and ability to hold a security until recovery. Instead, an OTTI is triggered if (1) an entity has the intent to sell the security, (2) it is more likely than not that it will be required to sell the security before recovery, or (3) it does not expect to recover the entire amortized cost basis of the security. The FSP is effective for interim and annual periods ending after June 15, 2009, with early adoption permitted. We will adopt FSP 115-2 on April 1, 2009.

To evaluate whether a debt security is other-than-temporarily impaired, an entity must first determine whether the fair value of the debt security is less than its amortized cost basis at the balance sheet date. If the fair value is less than the amortized cost, the security is impaired, and the holder must then assess whether it intends to sell the security. If an entity intends to sell the security, an OTTI is considered to have occurred. Even if an entity does not intend to sell the security, an OTTI has occurred if the entity does not expect to recover the entire amortized cost basis (i.e., there is a credit loss). Under this analysis, the entity compares the present value of the cash flows expected to be collected to the amortized cost basis of the security. If the present value of the cash flows expected to be collected is less than the security's amortized cost, an OTTI exists, regardless of whether the entity will be required to sell the security.

If an OTTI has occurred, an entity must then determine the amount of the loss to be recorded in earnings. If the entity intends to sell the security or it is more likely than not that it will be required to sell the security, the entire impairment loss is recorded in earnings. The impairment loss is the difference between the debt security's amortized cost basis and its fair value as of the measurement date. In contrast, if the entity (1) does not intend to sell the security and it is not more likely than not that it will be required to sell the security and (2) does not expect to recover the amortized cost basis of the security, the impairment loss is separated into the amount representing the credit loss and the amount related to other factors. The amount of the impairment loss representing the credit loss is recognized in earnings and the amount due to other factors is recognized in other comprehensive income. The portion of other-than-temporary impairment recognized in earnings would decrease the amortized cost basis of the debt security, and subsequent recoveries in the fair value of the debt security would not result in a write-up of the amortized cost basis. The following diagram details the process for evaluating impairments on AFS securities under FSP 115-2.

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The FSP provides two methodologies for determining the credit loss. The first is to consider the methodology in paragraphs 12-16 of FAS 114: discount the expected cash flows of the security by using the effective interest rate of the security as of the date it was acquired. The FSP also notes that for beneficial interests in securitized financial assets within the scope of EITF 99-20, an entity applies the guidance in paragraph 12(b) of EITF 99-20 to determine the present value of the expected cash flows to be collected. That is, the entity would discount the estimated cash flows at a rate equal to the current yield used to accrete the beneficial interest.

For available-for-sale securities, any subsequent unrealized changes in the fair value of the security (other than further OTTIs) are recorded in other comprehensive income. For held-to-maturity debt securities, the amount of OTTI recorded in other comprehensive income for the noncredit portion of a previous OTTI should be amortized prospectively over the remaining life of the security on the basis of the timing of future estimated cash flows of the security. That is, a portion of the OTTI recorded in OCI will be amortized out of OCI and will increase the carrying value of the asset until the security matures or is sold or a subsequent OTTI is recognized in earnings.

FSP 115-2 requires entities to initially apply the provisions of the standard to previously other-than-temporarily impaired debt securities (i.e., debt securities that the entity does not intend to sell and that the entity is not more likely than not required to sell before recovery), existing as of the date of initial adoption, by making a cumulative-effect adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings in the period of adoption. The cumulative-effect adjustment reclassifies the noncredit portion of a previously other-than-temporarily impaired debt security held as of the date of initial adoption from retained earnings to accumulated other comprehensive income. We are in the process of evaluating all securities we have deemed other-than-temporarily impaired, in order to ascertain the cumulative adjustment to retained earnings and other comprehensive.

Market Risks

We seek to manage the risks inherent in our business — including but not limited to credit risk, interest rate risk, prepayment risk, liquidity risk, and fair value risk — in a prudent manner designed to enhance our

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earnings and dividends and preserve our capital. In general, we seek to assume risks that can be quantified from historical experience, to actively manage such risks, and to maintain capital levels consistent with these risks.

Credit Risk

Integral to our core business is assuming the credit risk of real estate loans primarily through the ownership of residential and commercial real estate loans and securities. Some of our capital base is employed in owning credit enhancement securities that have below investment-grade credit ratings due to their concentrated credit risks with respect to underlying real estate loans and investment-grade securities. We believe that many of the loans underlying these securities are above-average in credit quality as compared to U.S. real estate loans in general, but the balance and percentage of loans with special risk factors (higher risk commercial loans, interest-only and negative amortization residential loan types, and Alt-A and subprime residential loans) has increased and continues to increase. We may also own residential real estate loans that are not securitized.

Credit losses from the loans in securitized loan pools, in general, first reduce the principal value of and economic returns on the lower-rated securities in these pools. Credit losses on real estate loans can occur for many reasons, including: poor origination practices; fraud; faulty appraisals; documentation errors; poor underwriting; legal errors; poor servicing practices; weak economic conditions; decline in the value of homes, businesses, or commercial properties; special hazards; earthquakes and other natural events; over-leveraging of the borrower or on the property; reduction in market rents and occupancies and poor property management practices; changes in legal protections for lenders; reduction in personal incomes; job loss; and personal events such as divorce or health problems. In addition, if the U.S. economy or the housing market weakens further than we have anticipated, our credit losses could increase beyond levels that we have anticipated. Credit losses on real estate loans can vary for reasons not related to the general economy.

With respect to most of the loans securitized by securitization entities sponsored by us and for a portion of the loans underlying residential loan securities we have acquired from securitizations sponsored by others, the interest rate is adjustable. Accordingly, when short-term interest rates rise, required monthly payments from homeowners may rise under the terms of these loans, and this may increase borrowers' delinquencies and defaults.

We also acquire securities backed by negative amortization adjustable-rate loans made to residential borrowers, some of which are prime-quality loans while many are Alt-A quality loans (and a few are subprime loans). We invest in these riskier loan types with the expectation of significantly higher delinquencies and losses as compared to regular amortization loans, but believe these securities

offer us the opportunity to generate attractive risk-adjusted returns as a result of attractive pricing and the manner in which these securitizations are structured. Nevertheless, there remains substantial uncertainty about the future performance of these assets.

The large majority of the commercial loans we credit-enhance are fixed-rate loans, some of which are interest-only loans. In general, these loans are not fully amortizing and therefore require balloon payments at maturity. Consequently, we could be exposed to credit losses at the maturity of these loans if the borrower is unable to repay or refinance the borrowing with another third party lender.

We will experience credit losses on residential and commercial loans and securities, and to the extent the losses are consistent with the amount and timing of our assumptions, we expect to earn attractive returns on our investments. We manage our credit risks by understanding the extent of the risk we are taking and insuring the appropriate underwriting criteria are met, and we utilize systems and staff to continually monitor the ongoing credit performance of each loan and security. To the extent we find the credit risks on specific assets are changing adversely, we will take actions (including selling the assets) to mitigate potential losses. However, we may not always be successful in foreseeing adverse changes in credit performance or in effectively mitigating future credit losses.

In addition to residential and commercial subordinate securities, Redwood, the Fund, and Acacia own senior and other securities issued by securitization entities that are sponsored by others. A risk we face with

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respect to these securities is that we do not generally control or influence the underwriting, servicing, management, or loss mitigation with respect to these underlying loans.

The Acacia entities, the Fund, and Redwood also own securities backed by subprime and Alt-A residential loans that have substantially higher credit risk characteristics than prime-quality loans. Consequently, we can expect these lower-quality loans to have higher rates of delinquency and loss, and if such losses differ from our assumptions, Acacia, the Fund, and Redwood could suffer losses.

The Acacia entities also own certain senior securities and subordinate securities purchased from the Sequoia securitization entities we sponsor. If the pools of residential and commercial loans underlying these securities were to experience poor credit results, these securities could suffer decreases in fair value, or could experience principal losses. If any of these events occurs, it would likely reduce our returns from these investments.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rates and the shape of the yield curve can affect the cash flows and fair values of our assets, liabilities, and interest rate agreements, and consequently, affect our earnings and reported equity. Our general strategy with respect to interest rates is to maintain an asset/liability posture (including hedges) on a consolidated basis that assumes some interest rate risks but not to such a degree that the achievement of our long-term goals would likely be affected by changes in interest rates. Accordingly, we are willing to accept short-term volatility of earnings and changes in our reported equity in order to accomplish our goal of achieving attractive long-term returns.

To implement our interest rate risk strategy, we may use interest rate agreements in an effort to maintain a close match between pledged assets and debt, as well as between the interest rate characteristics of the assets in the securitization entities and the corresponding ABS issued. However, we generally do not attempt to completely hedge changes in interest rates, and at times, we may be subject to more interest rate risk than we generally desire in the long term. Changes in interest rates will have an impact on the values and cash flows of our assets and corresponding liabilities.

Prepayment Risk

We seek to maintain an asset/liability posture that benefits from investments in prepayment-sensitive assets while limiting the risk of adverse prepayment fluctuations to an amount that, in most circumstances, can be absorbed by our capital base while still allowing us to make regular dividend payments.

Prepayments affect GAAP earnings in the near-term primarily through the timing of the amortization of purchase premium and discount and through triggering market valuation adjustments. For example, amortization income from discount assets may not necessarily offset amortization expense from premium assets, and vice-versa. In addition, variations in current and projected prepayment rates for individual assets and changes in interest rates (as they affect projected coupons on ARMs and other assets and thus change effective yield calculations) may cause net premium amortization expense or net discount amortization income to vary substantially from quarter to quarter. Moreover, the timing of premium amortization on assets may not always match the timing of the premium amortization on liabilities even when the underlying assets and liabilities are in the same securitization and pay down at the same rate.

Prepayment risks exist in the assets and associated liabilities consolidated on our balance sheets. In general, discount securities benefit from faster prepayment rates on the underlying real estate loans while premium securities (such as IOs) benefit from slower prepayments on the underlying loans. We are currently biased in favor of faster prepayment speeds with respect to the long-term economic effect of residential loan prepayments. However, in the short-term, increases in residential loan prepayment rates could result in GAAP earnings volatility.

With respect to securities backed by residential mortgage loans (and in particular, IOs), changes in prepayment forecasts by market participants could affect the market values of those securities sold by securitization entities, and thus could affect the profits we earn from securitizing assets.

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Our credit results and risks can also be affected by prepayments. For example, credit risks for the securities we own are reduced each time a loan prepaes. All other factors being equal, faster prepayment rates should reduce our credit risks on our existing portfolio.

We caution that prepayment rates are difficult to predict or anticipate, and variations in prepayment rates can materially affect our earnings and dividend distribution requirements. ARM prepayment rates, for example, are driven by many factors, one of which is the steepness of the yield curve. As the yield curve flattens (short-term interest rates rise relative to longer-term interest rates), ARM prepayments typically increase.

Fair Value and Liquidity Risks

The securities that we sponsor are generally funded with equity with no associated recourse debt that might affect our liquidity position. On January 1, 2008 we elected the fair value option under FAS 159 for assets and liabilities at Acacia, with all changes in market values now being recorded through our income statement. Though this adds to our potential earnings volatility, the securities and ABS issued by Acacia entities have no recourse to us that would otherwise affect our liquidity position. Changes in the fair values (or ratings downgrades) of assets owned by an Acacia entity may also create differences between our reported GAAP and taxable income. However, we do not currently believe this will create liquidity issues for us.

Most of the real estate loans that we consolidate are accounted for as held-for-investment and reported at amortized cost. Most of these loans have been sold to Sequoia entities and, thus, changes in the fair value of the loans do not have an impact on our liquidity. However, changes in fair values during the accumulation period (while these loans are funded with short-term debt before they are sold to a Sequoia entity) may have a short-term effect on our liquidity. We may also own some real estate loans accounted for as held-for-sale and adverse changes in their value would be recognized through our income statement and may have an impact on our ability to obtain financing for them.

Our consolidated obligations consist primarily of ABS issued. Changes in fair value of ABS issued generally have no impact on our liquidity. ABS issued by Sequoia are reported at amortized cost as are the residential loans collateralizing these ABS. Beginning January 1, 2008, we report at fair value the ABS issued by Acacia and also report the underlying securities collateralizing the ABS issued at fair value. In either case, the resulting net equity (assets less liabilities) may not necessarily be reflective of the fair value of our interests in these securitization entities. However, since the ABS issued can only look to the cash flows generated by the assets within that securitization for payments of interest and repayments of the face value of the ABS, the changes in fair value do not have an effect on Redwood. Only to the extent that changes in fair values affect the timing of the cash flows we might receive on our investments in the Acacia entities, is there an effect to Redwood from changes in fair values of these securities. There are no such considerations in the Sequoia securitization entities.

We may fund some assets with a combination of short-term debt and equity (generally prior to securitization) that is recourse to Redwood. This generally increases our fair value and liquidity risks. We manage these risks by maintaining what we believe to be conservative capital levels under our internal risk-adjusted capital and risk management policies and by ensuring we have a variety of financing facilities available to fund each of our assets.

Inflation Risk

Virtually all of our consolidated assets and liabilities are financial in nature. As a result, changes in interest rates and other factors drive our performance far more than does inflation. Changes in interest rates do not necessarily correlate with inflation rates or changes in inflation rates.

Our financial statements are prepared in accordance with GAAP. Our activities and balance sheets are measured with reference to historical cost or fair value without considering inflation.

Effect of Government Initiatives on Market Risks

Recent market and economic conditions have been unprecedented and challenging, with tighter credit conditions and slower growth through the end of 2008. Continued concerns about the systemic impact of inflation or deflation, energy costs, geopolitical issues, the availability and cost of credit, the U.S. mortgage

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market, and the declining real estate market in the U.S. have contributed to increased market volatility and diminished expectations for the U.S. economy.

These market and economic conditions have spurred government initiatives and interventions designed to address them. For example, in February 2009 the President announced a "Homeowner Affordability and Stability Plan," which is primarily focused on reducing foreclosures through loan modifications, and increasing refinancing opportunities for homeowners with mortgages that conform to governmental agency criteria. Given the size and scope of the government actions, they will affect many of the market risks described above, although the total impact is not yet fully known. As these initiatives are further developed and their effects become more apparent we will continue to seek to take them into account in managing the risks inherent in our business.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

Information concerning market risk is incorporated herein by reference to Item 7A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008, as supplemented by the information under "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations — Market Risks" above. Other than developments described under Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations above, including changes in the fair values of our assets, there have been no other material changes in our quantitative or qualitative exposure to market risk since December 31, 2008.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

We have adopted and maintain disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed on our reports under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act) is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms and that the information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our chief executive officer and chief financial officer, as appropriate, to allow for timely decisions regarding required disclosure. In designing and evaluating the disclosure controls and procedures, management recognizes that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives, and management is required to apply its judgment in evaluation the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures.

As required by Rule 13a-15(b) of the Exchange Act, we have carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of management, including our chief executive officer and chief financial officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the quarter covered by this report. Based on the foregoing, our chief executive officer and chief financial officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at a reasonable assurance level.

There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the first quarter of 2009 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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PART II

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

There are no material pending legal proceedings to which we or any of our subsidiaries is a party or of which our property is the subject.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

Our risk factors are discussed under Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

During the three months ended March 31, 2009, we did not sell any equity securities that were not registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. We announced a stock repurchase plan on November 5, 2008 for the repurchase of up to a total of 5,000,000 shares. This plan replaced all previous share repurchase plans and has no expiration date. There were no repurchases under the new stock repurchase plan during the first quarter of 2009 and as of March 31, 2009, 4,658,344 shares remained available for repurchase under this plan.

The following table contains information on the shares of our common stock that we purchased during the three months ended March 31, 2009.

	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price per Share Paid	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	Maximum Number (or Approximate Dollar Value) of Shares that May Yet be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
January 1, 2009 – January 31, 2009	2,642 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 14.91	—	4,658,344
February 1, 2009 – February 28, 2009	—	—	—	4,658,344
March 1, 2009 – March 31, 2009	—	—	—	4,658,344
Total	<u>2,642</u>	<u>\$ 14.91</u>	<u>341,656</u>	<u>4,658,344</u>

(1) The 2,642 shares purchased for the three months ended March 31, 2009 represent shares required to satisfy tax withholding requirements on the vesting of restricted shares.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None.

Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

None.

Item 5. Other Information

None.

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Item 6. Exhibits

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- 10.3 Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, as of March 31, 2009, by and between Brett D. Nicholas and the Registrant
- 10.4 Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, as of March 31, 2009, by and between Harold F. Zagunis and the Registrant
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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 thereunto duly authorized.

REDWOOD TRUST, INC.

Date: May 4, 2009 By: /s/ George E. Bull, III
George E. Bull, III
Chairman of the Board and
Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: May 4, 2009 By: /s/ Martin S. Hughes
Martin S. Hughes
President, Co-Chief Operating Officer, and
Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial Officer)

Date: May 4, 2009 By: /s/ Christopher J. Abate
Christopher J. Abate
Managing Director and Controller
(Principal Accounting Officer)

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AMENDED AND RESTATED EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This **AMENDED AND RESTATED EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT** ("Agreement"), originally effective as of the 7th day of April, 2003 (the "Effective Date"), as amended from time to time thereafter, and as amended and restated as of the 31st day of March, 2009, is entered into by and between **GEORGE E. BULL, III** (the "Executive") and **REDWOOD TRUST, INC.**, a Maryland corporation (the "Company").

The Company desires to establish its right to the continued services of the Executive, in the capacity, on the terms and conditions, and subject to the rights of termination hereinafter set forth, and the Executive is willing to accept such employment in such capacity, on such terms and conditions, and subject to such rights of termination. As of the Effective Date, this Agreement wholly supersedes the Employment Agreement between the Executive and the Company that was effective as of August 19, 1994.

In consideration of the mutual agreements hereinafter set forth, the Executive and the Company have agreed and do hereby agree as follows:

1. EMPLOYMENT AS CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE COMPANY. The Company does hereby employ, engage and hire the Executive as Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, and the Executive does hereby accept and agree to such hiring, engagement, and employment. The Executive's duties as Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer shall be such executive and managerial duties as the Board of Directors of the Company shall from time to time prescribe and as provided in the Bylaws of the Company. The Executive shall devote such time, energy and skill to the performance of his duties for the Company and for the benefit of the Company as may be necessary or required for the effective conduct and operation of the Company's business. Furthermore, the Executive shall exercise due diligence and care in the performance of his duties to the Company under this Agreement.

2. TERM OF AGREEMENT. The term of this Agreement (the "Term") shall commence on the Effective Date and shall continue through December 31, 2005; provided, however, that (i) on January 1, 2006 and each succeeding January 1, the Term shall automatically be extended for one additional year unless, not later than three months prior to any such January 1, either party shall have given written notice to the other that it does not wish to extend the Term and (ii) such one year extensions of the Term shall not occur on and after the January 1 of the year in which the Executive will attain age sixty-five (65) but instead the Term shall be extended only until the date of the Executive's sixty-fifth (65th) birthday.

3. COMPENSATION.

(a) Base Salary. The Company shall pay the Executive, and the Executive agrees to accept from the Company, in payment for his services to the Company a base salary at the rate of \$700,000 per year ("Base Salary"), payable in equal biweekly installments or at such other time or times as the Executive and Company shall agree. Base Salary shall be subject to such adjustments as the Company and the Executive shall agree.

(b) Performance Bonus – Board of Directors' Discretion. The Executive shall be eligible to receive an annual bonus. The Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors (the "Compensation Committee") in its discretion will determine whether such annual bonus will be paid, the amount of such bonus and its form of payment. The Executive's target annual bonus amount is 175% of his Base Salary (the "Target Bonus"). If the Compensation Committee determines in its discretion that the Executive's performance meets or exceeds the criteria established by the Compensation Committee for the award of a Target Bonus, it may award Executive the Target Bonus or a higher amount. Likewise, if the Executive's performance does not meet the criteria, the Committee may award a lesser amount or no bonus may be awarded.

(c) Equity Incentive Awards. Executive shall be eligible to receive grants of equity-based long-term incentive awards, including options to purchase Company stock and Company restricted stock. Such awards shall be determined in the discretion of the Compensation Committee. In the event of a Change of Control (as defined in Section 2(f) of the Redwood Trust, Inc. Executive Deferred Compensation Plan) in which the surviving or acquiring corporation does not assume the Executive's outstanding stock options and equity-related awards (including options and awards granted both before and after the Effective Date) or substitute similar options and equity-related awards, such options and equity-related awards shall immediately vest and become exercisable if the Executive's service with the Company has not terminated before the effective date of the Change of Control; provided, however, that the foregoing provision shall only apply if the Company is not the surviving corporation or if shares of the Company's common stock are converted into or exchanged for other securities or cash.

(d) Annual Review. The Company's Board of Directors shall, at least annually, review the Executive's entire compensation package to determine whether it continues to meet the Company's compensation objectives. Such annual review will include a determination of (i) whether to increase the Base Salary in accordance with Section 3(a); (ii) the incentive performance bonus to be awarded in accordance with Section 3(b); and (iii) the amount and type of any equity awards granted in accordance with Section 3(c).

4. FRINGE BENEFITS. The Executive shall be entitled to participate in any benefit programs adopted from time to time by the Company for the benefit of its senior executive employees, and the Executive shall be entitled to receive such other fringe benefits as may be granted to him from time to time by the Company's Board of Directors.

(a) Benefit Plans. The Executive shall be entitled to participate in any benefit plans relating to stock options, stock purchases, pension, thrift, profit sharing, life insurance, medical coverage, education, or other retirement or employee benefits available to other senior executive employees of the Company, subject to any restrictions (including waiting periods) specified in such plans and/or related individual agreements. The Company shall make commercially reasonable efforts to obtain medical and disability insurance, and such other forms of insurance as the Board of Directors shall from time to time determine, for its senior executive employees.

(b) Paid Time Off. The Executive shall be entitled to such number of weeks of paid vacation per calendar year consistent with Executive's satisfactory performance of the duties set forth in Section 1.

5. BUSINESS EXPENSES. The Company shall reimburse the Executive for any and all necessary, customary and usual expenses, properly received in accordance with Company policies, incurred by Executive on behalf of the Company.

6. TERMINATION OF EXECUTIVE'S EMPLOYMENT.

(a) Death. If the Executive dies while employed by the Company, his employment shall immediately terminate. The Company's obligation to pay the Executive's Base Salary shall cease as of the date of the Executive's death, and any unpaid Base Salary shall be paid to the Executive's estate. In addition, within fifteen (15) days of the Executive's death, the Company shall pay to the Executive's estate an incentive performance bonus based on Executive's Target Bonus then in effect, prorated for the number of days of employment completed by the Executive during the year of his death. Executive's beneficiaries or his estate shall receive benefits in accordance with the Company's retirement, insurance and other applicable programs and plans then in effect. All stock options or other equity-related awards, including restricted stock awards, shall vest in full and, in the case of stock options, shall be exercisable for such period as set forth in the applicable award agreement by which such awards are evidenced.

(b) Disability. If, as a result of the Executive's incapacity due to physical or mental illness ("Disability"), Executive shall have been absent from the full-time performance of his duties with the Company for six (6) consecutive months, and, within thirty (30) days after written notice is provided to him by the Company, he shall not have returned to the full-time performance of his duties, the Executive's employment under this Agreement may be terminated by the Company for Disability. During any period prior to such termination during which the Executive is absent from the full-time performance of his duties with the Company due to Disability, the Company shall continue to pay the Executive his Base Salary at the rate in effect at the commencement of such period of Disability. Subsequent to such termination, the Executive's benefits shall be determined under the Company's retirement, insurance and other compensation programs then in effect in accordance with the terms of such programs. In addition, within fifteen (15) days of such termination, the Company shall pay to the Executive an incentive performance bonus based on Executive's Target Bonus then in effect, prorated for the number of days of employment completed by the Executive during the year in which his employment terminated.

The Executive, the Executive's beneficiaries or his estate shall receive benefits in accordance with the Company's retirement, insurance and other applicable programs and plans then in effect. All stock options or other equity-related awards, including restricted stock awards, shall vest in full and, in the case of stock options, shall be exercisable for such period as set forth in the applicable award agreement by which such awards are evidenced.

(c) Termination By The Company For Cause. The Company may terminate the Executive's employment under this Agreement for Cause, at any time prior to expiration of the Term of the Agreement. For purposes of this Agreement, "Cause" shall mean (i) the Executive's material failure to substantially perform the reasonable and lawful duties of his position for the Company, which failure shall continue for thirty (30) days after notice thereof by the Company to the Executive; (ii) acts or omissions constituting gross negligence, recklessness or willful misconduct on the part of the Executive in respect of his fiduciary obligations or otherwise relating to the business of the Company; or (iii) the Executive's conviction of a felony involving fraud, misappropriation or embezzlement. In such a case, the Executive's employment under this Agreement may be terminated, and the Company's obligation to pay the Executive's Base Salary, any bonus and fringe benefits shall cease as of the termination date. However, the termination of Executive's employment shall not be deemed to be for Cause unless and until there has been delivered to Executive a copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Company's Board of Directors (after reasonable notice is provided to Executive and Executive is given an opportunity to be heard by the Company's Board of Directors), finding that, in the good faith opinion of the Company's Board of Directors, Executive's conduct met the standard for termination for Cause.

(d) Termination By The Company Without Cause. The Executive shall have the right to terminate this Agreement for Good Reason. For purposes of this Agreement, "Good Reason" shall mean the occurrence, without the Executive's express written consent, of any one or more of the following events:

(i) (A) the Executive's not being either Chairman of the Board or Chief Executive Officer of the Company, or if the Company is a subsidiary, of the ultimate parent entity, except in connection with the Company's termination of the Executive's employment for Cause pursuant to Section 6(c) or as otherwise expressly contemplated herein; (B) the assignment of duties to the Executive not consistent with being Chairman of the Board or Chief Executive Officer of the Company, or if the Company is a subsidiary, of the ultimate parent entity; or (C) the Executive's not reporting to the Company's Board of Directors, or if the Company is a subsidiary, of the ultimate parent entity;

(ii) A reduction in the Executive's Base Salary or a material reduction in the value of the Executive's total compensation package (salary, bonus opportunity, equity incentive award opportunity and benefits) if such a reduction is inconsistent with compensation trends for Chairmen of the Board and Chief Executive Officers at comparable companies, or such reduction is not made in proportion to an across-the-board reduction for all senior executives of the Company and a Change of Control (as defined in Section 2(f) of the Redwood Trust, Inc. Executive Deferred Compensation Plan) has not occurred;

(iii) The relocation of the Executive's principal Company office to a location more than twenty-five (25) miles from its location as of the Effective Date or the Company's requiring the Executive to be based anywhere other than the Company's principal executive offices, except for required travel on the Company's business to the extent necessary to fulfill the Executive's obligations under Section 1;

(iv) A failure to re-elect the Executive as a member of the Company's Board of Directors, or if the Company is a subsidiary, of the Board of Directors of the ultimate parent entity;

(v) A failure at any time to renew this Agreement for successive one-year periods pursuant to Section 2;

(vi) The complete liquidation of the Company; or

(vii) In the event of a merger, consolidation, transfer, or closing of a sale of all or substantially all the assets of the Company with or to any other individual or entity, the failure of the Company's successor to affirmatively adopt this Agreement or to otherwise comply with its obligations pursuant to Section 13 below.

(e) Termination By The Executive Without Good Reason. The Executive may at any time during the Term terminate his employment hereunder for any reason or no reason by giving the Company notice in writing not less than one hundred twenty (120) days in advance of such termination. The Executive shall have no further obligations to the Company after the effective date of termination, as set forth in the notice. In the event of a termination by the Executive under this Section 6(e), the Company will pay only the portion of Base Salary or previously awarded bonus unpaid as of the termination date. Fringe benefits which have accrued and/or vested on the termination date will continue in effect according to their terms.

7. COMPENSATION UPON TERMINATION BY THE COMPANY OTHER THAN FOR CAUSE OR BY THE EXECUTIVE FOR GOOD REASON.

(a) If the Executive's employment shall be terminated by the Company other than for Cause or by the Executive for Good Reason, the Executive shall be entitled to the following benefits:

(i) **Payment of Unpaid Base Salary.** The Company shall immediately pay the Executive any portion of the Executive's Base Salary or previously awarded bonus not paid prior to the termination date.

(ii) **Severance Payment.** The Company shall provide the Executive the following: (x) an amount equal to 8.25 times Executive's Annual Base Salary as in effect immediately prior to his termination; (y) an amount equal to 1.75 times the Executive's Annual Base Salary in effect immediately prior to his termination prorated for the number of days of employment completed by the Executive during the year in which his employment is terminated; and (z) with respect to options granted on or before December 31, 2002, the sum of the Dividend Equivalent Rights payments (as defined in the applicable award agreement by which any such Dividend Equivalent Rights were granted) that would have been payable to Executive over the three (3) year period following his termination had he remained employed (taking into consideration the term of options and Dividend Equivalent Rights and assuming that the options are fully vested and remain unexercised). Payments pursuant to this Section with respect to options granted after December 31, 2002 will be calculated in the same manner, unless such options provide a different formula for Dividend Equivalent Rights payments if Executive's employment is terminated by the Company other than for Cause or by the Executive for Good Reason, in which case the Dividend Equivalent Rights payments shall be governed by the terms of such options. The quarterly dividend per share rate that shall be used in this calculation is the higher of (I) one-fourth (25%) of the sum of common stock dividends declared per common share in the twelve (12) months prior to the termination date, and (II) one-twelfth (8.333%) of the sum of common stock dividends declared per common share in the thirty-six (36) months prior to the termination date.

(iii) **Stock Options and Other Equity-Related Awards.** All stock options and other equity-related awards, including restricted stock awards, held by the Executive as of the termination date shall vest in full and, in the case of stock options, shall be exercisable for such period as set forth in the applicable award agreements by which such awards are evidenced.

(iv) **Continuation of Fringe Benefits.** For the three (3) year period following the termination of the Executive's employment, the Company shall continue to provide the Executive with all life insurance, disability insurance and medical coverage fringe benefits set forth in Section 4 as if the Executive's employment under the Agreement had not been terminated; provided, however, that such life insurance, disability insurance and medical coverage shall cease as of the date the Executive receives such coverage from a subsequent employer. No provision of this Agreement will affect the continuation coverage rules under Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 ("COBRA"), except that the Company's payment, if any, of applicable insurance premiums will be credited as payment by the Executive for purposes of the Executive's payment required under COBRA. Therefore, the period during which the Executive may elect to continue the Company's medical plan coverage at the Executive's own expense under COBRA, the length of time during which COBRA coverage will be made available to the Executive, and all other rights and obligations of the Executive under COBRA (except the obligation to pay insurance premiums that the Company pays) will be applied in the same manner that such rules would apply in the absence of this Agreement. For purposes of this Section 7(a)(iv), any applicable insurance premiums that are paid by the Company shall not include any amounts payable by the Executive under an Internal Revenue Code Section 125 health care reimbursement plan, which amounts, if any, are the sole responsibility of the Executive.

(v) Excise Tax Gross-Up. In the event that the Executive becomes entitled to the payments and benefits provided under the provisions of this Section 7 ("Payments and Benefits"), and if any of the Payments and Benefits will be subject to any excise tax imposed under Section 4999 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time (the "Code"), or successor sections thereto ("Excise Tax"), the Company shall pay to or for the benefit of the Executive an additional amount (the "Gross-Up Payment") such that the net amount retained by the Executive, after deduction of any Excise Tax on the Payments and Benefits and any federal, state and local income tax and Excise Tax upon the payments provided for under this Section 7(a)(v), shall be equal to the amount of the Payments and Benefits. For purposes of determining whether any of the Payments and Benefits will be subject to the Excise Tax and the amount of such Excise Tax, (i) any other payments or benefits received or to be received by the Executive that are contingent on a transaction described in Section 280G(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Code or on an event, including (without limitation) a termination of the Executive's employment that is materially related to such a transaction (whether pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or any other plan, arrangement or agreement with the Company, any person whose actions result in such a transaction, or any person affiliated with the Company or such person) shall be treated as "parachute payments" within the meaning of Section 280G(b)(2) of the Code, and all "excess parachute payments" within the meaning of Section 280G(b)(1) of the Code shall be treated as subject to the Excise Tax, unless, in the opinion of tax counsel selected by the Company and reasonably acceptable to the Executive, such other payments or benefits (in whole or in part) do not constitute parachute payments, including by reason of Section 280G(b)(4)(A) of the Code, or such excess parachute payments (in whole or in part) represent reasonable compensation for services actually rendered, within the meaning of Section 280G(b)(4)(B) of the Code, in excess of the Base Amount (as defined in Section 280G(b)(3) of the Code) allocable to such reasonable compensation, or are otherwise not subject to the Excise Tax; (ii) the amount of the Payments and Benefits which shall be treated as subject to the Excise Tax shall be equal to the lesser of (A) the total amount of the Payments and Benefits or (B) the amount of excess parachute payments within the meaning of Section 280G(b)(1) of the Code (after applying clause (i), above); and (iii) the value of any non-cash benefits or any deferred payment or benefit shall be determined by the Company's independent auditors in accordance with the principles of Sections 280G(d)(3) and (4) of the Code. For purposes of determining the amount of the Gross-Up Payment, the Executive shall be deemed to pay federal income taxes at the highest marginal rate of federal income taxation in the calendar year in which the Gross-Up Payment is to be made and state and local income taxes at the highest marginal rate of taxation in the state and locality of the Executive's residence on the termination date of employment, net of the maximum reduction in federal income taxes which could be obtained from deduction of such state and local taxes based on the marginal rate referenced above. In the event that the Excise Tax is subsequently determined to be less than the amount taken into account hereunder at the termination date, the Executive shall repay to the Company, at the time that the amount of such reduction in Excise Tax is finally determined, the portion of the Gross-Up Payment attributable to such reduction (plus that portion of the Gross-Up Payment attributable to the Excise Tax and federal, state and local income tax imposed on the Gross-Up Payment being repaid by the Executive to the extent that such repayment results in a reduction in Excise Tax and/or a federal, state or local income tax deduction) plus interest on the amount of such repayment at the rate provided in Section 1274(b)(2)(B) of the Code. In the event that the Excise

Tax is determined to exceed the amount taken into account hereunder at the time of the termination of the Executive's employment (including by reason of any payment, the existence or amount of which cannot be determined at the time of the Gross-Up Payment), the Company shall make an additional Gross-Up Payment in respect of such excess (plus any interest, penalties or additions payable by the Executive with respect to such excess, but only to the extent that such interest, penalties or additions would not have been reduced by prompt payment by the Executive to the appropriate tax authority of the Gross-Up Payments previously received) at the time that the amount of such excess is finally determined. The Executive and the Company shall each reasonably cooperate with the other in connection with any administrative or judicial proceedings concerning the existence or amount of liability for Excise Tax with respect to the Payments and Benefits.

(b) No Mitigation Required; No Other Entitlement To Benefits Under Agreement. The Executive shall not be required in any way to mitigate the amount of any payment provided for in this Section 7, including, without limitation, by seeking other employment, nor shall the amount of any payment provided for in this Section 7 be reduced by any compensation earned by the Executive as the result of employment with another employer after the termination date of employment, or otherwise. Except as set forth in this Section 7, following a termination governed by this Section 7, the Executive shall not be entitled to any other compensation or benefits set forth in this Agreement, except as may be separately negotiated by the parties and approved the Company's Board of Directors in writing in conjunction with the termination of Executive's employment under this Section 7.

(c) Release Agreement. As a condition of receiving any of the payments and benefits set forth in this Section 7, the Executive shall be required to execute a mutual release agreement in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A or Exhibit B, as appropriate, and such release agreement must have become effective in accordance with its terms. The Company, in its sole discretion, may modify the term of the required release agreement to comply with applicable state law and may incorporate the required release agreement into a termination agreement or other agreement with the Executive.

(d) Timing of Severance Payments. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, any and all severance payments provided under this Agreement in connection with the termination of the employment of the Executive shall be payable in an amount equal to 75% of such payments on the date that is six months after the termination date, and the remaining 25% shall be payable in six equal monthly installments beginning on the date that is seven months after the termination date and continuing on the same date of each of the five months thereafter.

(e) Timing of Bonus Payments. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, any and all bonus payments provided under the Agreement in connection with the termination of the employment of the Executive shall be payable on the date that is six months after the termination date.

8. DISPUTES RELATING TO EXECUTIVE'S TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT FOR GOOD REASON. If the Executive resigns his employment with the Company alleging in good faith as the basis for such resignation "Good Reason" as defined in Section 6(d), and if the Company then disputes the Executive's right to the payment of benefits under Section 7, the Company shall continue to pay the Executive the full compensation (including, without limitation, his Base Salary) in effect at the date the Executive provided written notice of such resignation, and the Company shall continue the Executive as a participant in all compensation, benefit and insurance plans in which the Executive was then a participant, until the earlier of the expiration of the Term or the date the dispute is finally resolved, either by mutual written agreement of the parties or by application of the provisions of Section 11. For the purposes of this Section 8, the Company shall bear the burden of proving that the grounds for the Executive's resignation do not fall within the scope of Section 6(d), and there shall be a rebuttable presumption that the Executive alleged such grounds in good faith.

9. NONCOMPETITION PROVISIONS.

(a) Noncompetition. Executive agrees that during the Term prior to any termination of his employment hereunder and for a period of one (1) year following the occurrence of any event entitling the Executive to Payments and Benefits, provided the Company makes all such payments when due according to the provisions of Section 7, he will not, directly or indirectly, without the prior written consent of a majority of the non-employee members of the Company's Board of Directors, manage, operate, join, control, participate in, or be connected as a stockholder (other than as a holder of shares publicly traded on a stock exchange or the NASDAQ National Market System), partner, or other equity holder with, or as an officer, director or employee of, any real estate investment organization whose business strategy is competitive with that of the Company, as determined by a majority of the non-employee members of the Company's Board of Directors. It is further expressly agreed that the Company will or would suffer irreparable injury if the Executive were to compete with the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate of the Company in violation of this Agreement and that Company would by reason of such competition be entitled to injunctive relief in a court of appropriate jurisdiction, and the Executive further consents and stipulates to the entry of such injunctive relief in such a court prohibiting the Executive from competing with the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate of the Company, in the areas of business set forth above, in violation of this Agreement.

(b) Right To Company Materials. The Executive agrees that all styles, designs, lists, materials, books, files, reports, correspondence, records, and other documents ("Company Materials") used, prepared, or made available to the Executive shall be and shall remain the property of the Company. Upon the termination of employment or the expiration of this Agreement, all Company Materials shall be returned immediately to the Company, and the Executive shall not make or retain any copies thereof.

(c) Nonsolicitation. The Executive promises and agrees that he will not directly or indirectly solicit any of the Company's executive employees to work for any competing real estate investment organization as determined under the preceding Section 9(a).

(d) Maryland Law. The Executive agrees, in accordance with Maryland law, to first offer to the Company corporate opportunities learned of solely as a result of his service as an officer and director of the Company.

10. NOTICES. All notices and other communications under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be given by fax or first class mail, certified or registered with return receipt requested, and shall be deemed to have been duly given three (3) days after mailing or twenty-four (24) hours after transmission of a fax to the respective persons named below:

If to the Company:
Attn: President
One Belvedere Place, Suite 300
Mill Valley, CA 94941
Phone: (415) 389-7373
Fax: (415) 381-1773

Redwood Trust, Inc.

If to the Executive:

George E. Bull, III
c/o Redwood Trust, Inc.
One Belvedere Place, Suite 300
Mill Valley, CA 94941
Phone: (415) 389-7373
Fax: (415) 381-1773

Either party may change such party's address for notices by notice duly given pursuant hereto.

11. RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES. To ensure the rapid and economical resolution of disputes that may arise in connection with the Executive's employment with the Company, the Executive and the Company agree that any and all disputes, claims, or causes of action, in law or equity, arising from or relating to the enforcement, breach, performance, or interpretation of this Agreement, the Executive's employment, or the termination of the Executive's employment ("Arbitrable Claims") shall be submitted to confidential mediation in San Francisco, California conducted by a mutually agreeable mediator from Judicial Arbitration and Mediation Services ("JAMS") or its successor, and the cost of JAMS' mediation fees shall be paid by the Company. In the event that mediation is unsuccessful in resolving the Arbitrable Claims, the Arbitrable Claims shall be resolved, to the fullest extent permitted by law, by final, binding and confidential arbitration in San Francisco, California conducted by JAMS or its successor, under the then applicable rules of JAMS. THE EXECUTIVE ACKNOWLEDGES THAT BY AGREEING TO THIS ARBITRATION PROCEDURE, BOTH THE EXECUTIVE AND THE COMPANY WAIVE THE RIGHT TO RESOLVE ANY SUCH DISPUTE THROUGH A TRIAL BY JURY OR JUDGE OR ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING. The arbitrator shall: (a) have the authority to compel adequate discovery for the resolution of the dispute and to award such relief as would otherwise be permitted by law; and (b) issue a written arbitration decision including the arbitrator's essential findings and conclusions and a statement of the award. The arbitrator shall be authorized to award any or all remedies that the Executive or the Company would be entitled to seek in a court of law, including, without limitation, the award of attorneys' fees based on a determination of the extent to which each party has prevailed as to the material issues raised in determination of the dispute. The Company shall pay all JAMS' arbitration fees in excess of those which would be required if the dispute were decided in a court of law. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to prevent either the Executive or the Company from obtaining injunctive relief in court to prevent irreparable harm pending the conclusion of any such mediation or arbitration.

12. TERMINATION OF PRIOR AGREEMENTS. This Agreement terminates and supersedes any and all prior agreements and understandings between the parties with respect to employment or with respect to the compensation of the Executive by the Company.

13. ASSIGNMENT SUCCESSORS. This Agreement is personal in its nature, and neither of the parties hereto shall, without the consent of the other, assign or transfer this Agreement or any rights or obligations hereunder; provided, however, that, in the event of the merger, consolidation, transfer, or sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company with or to any other individual or entity, this Agreement shall, subject to the provisions hereof, be binding upon and inure to the benefit of such successor and such successor shall discharge and perform all the promises, covenants, duties, and obligations of the Company hereunder.

14. GOVERNING LAW. This Agreement and the legal relations thus created between the parties hereto shall be governed by and construed under and in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

15. ENTIRE AGREEMENT; HEADINGS. This Agreement embodies the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof, excluding the plans and programs under which compensation and benefits are provided pursuant to Sections 3 and 4 hereof to the extent such plans and programs are not inconsistent with this Agreement, and may be modified only in writing. Section headings in this Agreement are included herein for convenience of reference only and shall not constitute a part of this Agreement for any other purpose.

16. WAIVER; MODIFICATION. Failure to insist upon strict compliance with any of the terms, covenants, or conditions hereof shall not be deemed a waiver of such term, covenant, or condition, nor shall any waiver or relinquishment of, or failure to insist upon strict compliance with, any right or power hereunder at any one or more times be deemed a waiver or relinquishment of such right or power at any other time or times. This Agreement shall not be modified in any respect except by a writing executed by each party hereto.

17. SEVERABILITY. In the event that a court of competent jurisdiction determines that any portion of this Agreement is in violation of any statute or public policy, only the portions of this Agreement that violate such statute or public policy shall be stricken. All portions of this Agreement that do not violate any statute or public policy shall continue in full force and effect. Further, any court order striking any portion of this Agreement shall modify the stricken terms as narrowly as possible to give as much effect as possible to the intentions of the parties under this Agreement.

18. INDEMNIFICATION. The Company shall indemnify and hold Executive harmless to the maximum extent permitted by Section 2-418 of the Maryland General Corporations Law or its successor statute, or if greater, by the Company's Bylaws, by any applicable resolution of the Company's Board of Directors or by the terms providing the most extensive indemnification contained in any written agreement between the Company and any director or officer of the Company. The Company shall make Executive a named beneficiary under all director and officer liability policies maintained by the Company from time to time for the benefit of its directors and officers, entitled to all benefits provided thereunder to persons serving in a comparable role as both an officer and director of the Company.

19. COUNTERPARTS. This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original but all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument.

20. SUCCESSOR SECTIONS. References herein to sections or rules of the Code or Exchange Act shall be deemed to include any successor sections or rules.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this Agreement to be executed by its duly authorized officer, and the Executive has hereunto signed this Agreement, as of the Effective Date.

REDWOOD TRUST, INC.

By: /S/ MARIANN BYERWALTER

Mariann Byerwalter
Chair, Compensation Committee

/S/ GEORGE E. BULL, III

GEORGE E. BULL, III

EXHIBIT A

RELEASE AGREEMENT

Except as otherwise set forth in this Release Agreement or in Sections 7 and 18 of the Amended and Restated Employment Agreement between George E. Bull, III and Redwood Trust, Inc., George E. Bull, III ("Executive") hereby generally and completely releases the Company and its directors, officers, employees, shareholders, partners, agents, attorneys, predecessors, successors, parent and subsidiary entities, insurers, affiliates, and assigns from any and all claims, liabilities and obligations, both known and unknown, that arise out of or are in any way related to events, acts, conduct, or omissions occurring at any time prior to and including the date Executive signs this Release Agreement. The Company, its directors, officers, employees, shareholders, partners, agents, attorneys, predecessors, successors, parent and subsidiary entities, insurers, affiliates, and assigns, hereby releases Executive and his heirs, executors, successors and assigns, from any and all claims, liabilities and obligations, both known and unknown, that arise out of or are in any way related to events, acts, conduct, or omissions occurring at any time prior to and including the date the Company signs this Release Agreement. This general mutual release includes, but is not limited to: (A) all claims arising out of or in any way related to Executive's employment with the Company or the termination of that employment; (B) all claims related to Executive's compensation or benefits from the Company, including salary, bonuses, commissions, vacation pay, expense reimbursements, severance pay, fringe benefits, stock, stock options, or any other ownership interests in the Company; (C) all claims for breach of contract, wrongful termination, and breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing; (D) all tort claims, including claims for fraud, defamation, emotional distress, and discharge in violation of public policy; and (E) all federal, state, and local statutory claims, including claims for discrimination, harassment, retaliation, attorneys' fees, or other claims arising under the federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 (as amended), the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the federal Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 (as amended) ("ADEA"), the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (as amended), and the California Fair Employment and Housing Act (as amended); provided, however, that nothing in this paragraph shall be construed in any way to release the Company from its obligation to indemnify Executive pursuant to agreement, the Company's bylaws or binding resolutions, or applicable law.

Executive acknowledges that he is knowingly and voluntarily waiving and releasing any rights he may have under the ADEA, and that the consideration given under his Employment Agreement with the Company for the waiver and release in the preceding paragraph hereof is in addition to anything of value to which he was already entitled. Executive further acknowledges that he has been advised by this writing, as required by the ADEA, that: (A) this waiver and release does not apply to any rights or claims that may arise after the date Executive signs this Release Agreement; (B) Executive should consult with an attorney prior to signing this Release Agreement (although Executive may choose voluntarily not to do so); (C) Executive has twenty-one (21) days to consider this Release Agreement (although Executive may choose voluntarily to sign this Release Agreement earlier); (D) Executive has seven (7) days following the date that he signs this Release Agreement to revoke the Release Agreement by providing written notice to an officer of the Company; and (E) this Release Agreement shall not be effective until the date upon which the revocation period has expired, which shall be the eighth day after Executive signs this Release Agreement.

Both Executive and the Company acknowledge that each has read and understands Section 1542 of the California Civil Code which reads as follows: "A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS WHICH THE CREDITOR DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE, WHICH IF KNOWN BY HIM MUST HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR." Both Executive and the Company hereby expressly waive and relinquish all rights and benefits under that section and any law of any jurisdiction of similar effect with respect to each party's release of any claims hereunder.

EXECUTIVE

Name: _____

Date: _____

Company

Name: _____

Date: _____

EXHIBIT B

RELEASE AGREEMENT

Except as otherwise set forth in this Release Agreement or in Sections 7 and 18 of the Amended and Restated Employment Agreement between George E. Bull, III and Redwood Trust, Inc., George E. Bull, III ("Executive") hereby generally and completely releases the Company and its directors, officers, employees, shareholders, partners, agents, attorneys, predecessors, successors, parent and subsidiary entities, insurers, affiliates, and assigns from any and all claims, liabilities and obligations, both known and unknown, that arise out of or are in any way related to events, acts, conduct, or omissions occurring at any time prior to and including the date Executive signs this Release Agreement. The Company, its directors, officers, employees, shareholders, partners, agents, attorneys, predecessors, successors, parent and subsidiary entities, insurers, affiliates, and assigns, hereby releases Executive and his heirs, executors, successors and assigns, from any and all claims, liabilities and obligations, both known and unknown, that arise out of or are in any way related to events, acts, conduct, or omissions occurring at any time prior to and including the date the Company signs this Release Agreement. This general mutual release includes, but is not limited to: (A) all claims arising out of or in any way related to Executive's employment with the Company or the termination of that employment; (B) all claims related to Executive's compensation or benefits from the Company, including salary, bonuses, commissions, vacation pay, expense reimbursements, severance pay, fringe benefits, stock, stock options, or any other ownership interests in the Company; (C) all claims for breach of contract, wrongful termination, and breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing; (D) all tort claims, including claims for fraud, defamation, emotional distress, and discharge in violation of public policy; and (E) all federal, state, and local statutory claims, including claims for discrimination, harassment, retaliation, attorneys' fees, or other claims arising under the federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 (as amended), the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the federal Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 (as amended) ("ADEA"), the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (as amended), and the California Fair Employment and Housing Act (as amended); provided, however, that nothing in this paragraph shall be construed in any way to release the Company from its obligation to indemnify Executive pursuant to agreement, the Company's bylaws or binding resolutions, or applicable law.

Executive acknowledges that he is knowingly and voluntarily waiving and releasing any rights he may have under the ADEA, and that the consideration given under his Employment Agreement with the Company for the waiver and release in the preceding paragraph hereof is in addition to anything of value to which he was already entitled. Executive further acknowledges that he has been advised by this writing, as required by the ADEA, that: (A) this waiver and release does not apply to any rights or claims that may arise after the date Executive signs this Release Agreement; (B) Executive should consult with an attorney prior to signing this Release Agreement (although Executive may choose voluntarily not to do so); (C) Executive has forty-five (45) days to consider this Release Agreement (although he may choose voluntarily to sign this Release Agreement earlier); (D) Executive has seven (7) days following the date that he signs this Release Agreement to revoke the Release Agreement by providing written notice to an officer of the Company; (E) this Release Agreement shall not be effective until the date upon which the revocation period has expired, which shall be the eighth day after Executive signs this Release Agreement; and (F) Executive has received with this Release Agreement a detailed list of the job titles and ages of all employees who were terminated in this group termination and the ages of all employees of the Company in the same job classification or organizational unit who were not terminated.

Both the Executive and the Company acknowledge that each has read and understands Section 1542 of the California Civil Code which reads as follows: "A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS WHICH THE CREDITOR DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE, WHICH IF KNOWN BY HIM MUST HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR." Both the Executive and the Company hereby expressly waive and relinquish all rights and benefits under that section and any law of any jurisdiction of similar effect with respect to each party's release of any claims hereunder.

EXECUTIVE

Name: _____

Date: _____

Company

Name: _____

Date: _____

AMENDED AND RESTATED EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This **amended and restated employment Agreement** ("Agreement"), effective as of the first day of June, 2005 (the "Effective Date"), and amended and restated as of the 31st day of March, 2009, is entered into by and between **Martin S. Hughes** (the "Executive") and **Redwood Trust, Inc.**, a Maryland corporation (the "Company").

The Company desires to establish its right to the continued services of the Executive, in the capacity, on the terms and conditions, and subject to the rights of termination hereinafter set forth, and the Executive is willing to accept such employment in such capacity, on such terms and conditions, and subject to such rights of termination.

In consideration of the mutual agreements hereinafter set forth, the Executive and the Company have agreed and do hereby agree as follows:

1. Employment As President and Co-Chief Operating Officer Of The Company. The Company does hereby employ the Executive as **President and Co-Chief Operating Officer** of the Company, reporting to the Chief Executive Officer of the Company. The Executive does hereby accept and agree to such employment. The Executive's duties shall be such executive and managerial duties as set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto. The Chief Executive Officer may, from time to time, in its sole discretion, modify, reassign and/or augment the Executive's responsibilities, subject to approval by the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Board"). Any such modification, reassignment or augmentation of responsibilities shall be in writing. The Executive shall devote such time, energy and skill to the performance of his duties for the Company and for the benefit of the Company as may be necessary or required for the effective conduct and operation of the Company's business. Furthermore, the Executive shall act only in good faith and exercise due diligence and care in the performance of his duties to the Company under this Agreement.

2. Term Of Agreement. The term of this Agreement (the "Term") shall commence on the Effective Date and shall continue through December 31, 2007; *provided, however*, that (i) on January 1, 2008 and each succeeding January 1, the Term shall automatically be extended for one additional year unless, not later than three months prior to any such January 1, either party shall have given written notice to the other that it does not wish to extend the Term and (ii) such one year extensions of the Term shall not occur on and after the January 1 of the year in which the Executive will attain age sixty-five (65) but instead the Term shall be extended only until the date of the Executive's sixty-fifth (65th) birthday.

3. Compensation.

(a) Base Salary. The Company shall pay the Executive, and the Executive agrees to accept from the Company, in payment for his services to the Company a base salary at the rate of \$500,000 per year ("Base Salary"), payable in equal biweekly installments or at such other time or times as the Executive and Company shall agree. Base Salary shall be subject to such adjustments as the Company and the Executive shall agree.

(b) Performance Bonus – Board of Directors’ Discretion. The Executive shall be eligible to receive an annual bonus. The Board in its discretion will determine whether such annual bonus will be paid, the amount of such bonus and its form of payment. The Executive’s target annual bonus amount is 150% of his Base Salary (the “Target Bonus”). If the Board determines in its discretion that the Executive’s performance meets or exceeds the criteria established by the Board for the award of a Target Bonus, the Board may award the Executive the Target Bonus or a higher amount. Likewise, if the Executive’s performance does not meet said criteria, the Board may award a lesser amount, or no bonus may be awarded. Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, the Executive’s eligibility to receive any bonus under this Section 3(b) shall be expressly conditioned on, among other things, the Executive remaining employed with the Company up through any designated distribution date set by the Board.

(c) Equity Incentive Awards. Executive shall be eligible to receive grants of equity-based long-term incentive awards, which may include options to purchase Company stock, Company restricted stock, contributions to Company’s deferred compensation plan, or other Awards. Such awards shall be determined in the discretion of the Board. In the event of a Change of Control (as defined in Section 2(f) of the Redwood Trust, Inc. Executive Deferred Compensation Plan) in which the surviving or acquiring corporation does not assume the Executive’s outstanding stock options and equity-related awards (including options and awards granted both before and after the Effective Date) or substitute similar options and equity-related awards, such options and equity-related awards shall immediately vest and become exercisable if the Executive’s service with the Company has not terminated before the effective date of the Change of Control; *provided, however*, that the foregoing provision shall only apply if the Company is not the surviving corporation or if shares of the Company’s common stock are converted into or exchanged for other securities or cash.

(d) Annual Review. The Executive’s performance shall be reviewed at least annually. The performance evaluations shall consider and assess the Executive’s performance of his duties and responsibilities, the timely accomplishment of existing performance objectives, his level of efficiency and overall effectiveness and/or other factors or criteria that the Company, in its sole discretion, may deem relevant. The frequency of performance evaluations may vary depending upon, among other things, length of service, past performance, changes in job duties or performance levels. The Board shall, at least annually, review the Executive’s entire compensation package to determine whether it continues to meet the Company’s compensation objectives. Such annual review will include a determination of (i) whether to increase the Base Salary in accordance with Section 3(a); (ii) the incentive performance bonus to be awarded in accordance with Section 3(b); and (iii) the amount and type of any equity awards granted in accordance with Section 3(c). Positive performance evaluations do not guarantee salary increases or incentive bonuses. Salary increases and incentive bonus awards are solely within the discretion of the Board and may depend upon many factors other than the Executive’s performance.

4. Fringe Benefits. The Executive shall be entitled to participate in any benefit programs adopted from time to time by the Company for the benefit of its senior executive employees, and the Executive shall be entitled to receive such other fringe benefits as may be granted to him from time to time by the Board.

(a) Benefit Plans. The Executive shall be entitled to participate in any benefit plans relating to stock options, stock purchases, pension, thrift, profit sharing, life insurance, medical coverage, education, deferred compensation, or other retirement or employee benefits available to other senior executive employees of the Company, subject to any restrictions (including waiting periods) specified in such plans and/or related individual agreements. The Company shall make commercially reasonable efforts to obtain medical and disability insurance, and such other forms of insurance as the Board shall from time to time determine, for its senior executive employees.

(b) Paid Time Off. The Executive shall be entitled to twenty-five (25) days of paid time off ("PTO") per calendar year consistent with the Executive's satisfactory performance of the duties set forth in Section 1 and in accordance with Company policies regarding PTO; *provided, however*, that the Executive may accrue up to a maximum of fifty (50) days of PTO. The Executive may use PTO for any reason, including vacation, sick time, personal time and family illness.

5. Business Expenses. The Company shall reimburse the Executive for any and all necessary, customary and usual expenses, properly receipted in accordance with Company policies, incurred by Executive on behalf of the Company.

6. Termination Of Executive's Employment.

(a) Death. If the Executive dies while employed by the Company, his employment shall immediately terminate. The Company's obligation to pay the Executive's Base Salary shall cease as of the date of the Executive's death, and any unpaid Base Salary shall be paid to the Executive's estate. In addition, within fifteen (15) days of the Executive's death, the Company shall pay to the Executive's estate an incentive performance bonus based on Executive's Target Bonus then in effect, prorated for the number of days of employment completed by the Executive during the year of his death. Executive's beneficiaries or his estate shall receive benefits in accordance with the Company's retirement, insurance and other applicable programs and plans then in effect. All stock options or other equity-related awards, including restricted stock awards, shall vest in full and, in the case of stock options, shall be exercisable for such period as set forth in the applicable award agreement by which such awards are evidenced.

(b) Disability. If, as a result of the Executive's incapacity due to physical or mental illness ("Disability"), Executive shall have been absent from the full-time performance of his duties with the Company for six (6) consecutive months, and, within thirty (30) days after written notice is provided to him by the Company, he shall not have returned to the full-time performance of his duties, the Executive's employment under this Agreement may be terminated by the Company for Disability. During any period prior to such termination during which the Executive is absent from the full-time performance of his duties with the Company due to Disability, the Company shall continue to pay the Executive his Base Salary at the rate in effect at the commencement of such period of Disability. Subsequent to such termination, the Executive's benefits shall be determined under the Company's retirement, insurance and other compensation programs then in effect in accordance with the terms of such programs. In addition, within fifteen (15) days of such termination, the Company shall pay to the Executive an incentive performance bonus based on Executive's Target Bonus then in effect, prorated for the number of days of employment completed by the Executive during the year in which his employment terminated. The Executive, the Executive's beneficiaries or his estate shall receive benefits in accordance with the Company's retirement, insurance and other applicable programs and plans then in effect. All stock options or other equity-related awards, including restricted stock awards, shall vest in full and, in the case of stock options, shall be exercisable for such period as set forth in the applicable award agreement by which such awards are evidenced.

(c) Termination By The Company For Cause. The Company may terminate the Executive's employment under this Agreement for Cause, at any time prior to expiration of the Term of the Agreement. For purposes of this Agreement, "Cause" shall mean (i) the Executive's material failure to substantially perform the reasonable and lawful duties of his position for the Company, which failure shall continue for thirty (30) days after notice thereof by the Company to the Executive; (ii) acts or omissions constituting gross negligence, recklessness or willful misconduct on the part of the Executive in respect of the performance of his duties hereunder, his fiduciary obligations or otherwise relating to the business of the Company; (iii) the habitual or repeated neglect of his duties by Executive; (iv) the Executive's conviction of a felony; (v) theft or embezzlement, or attempted theft or embezzlement, of money or tangible or intangible assets or property of the Company or its employees, customers, clients, or others having business relations with the Company; (vi) any act of moral turpitude by Executive injurious to the interest, property, operations, business or reputation of the Company; or (vii) unauthorized use or disclosure of trade secrets or confidential or proprietary information pertaining to Company business. However, the termination of Executive's employment shall not be deemed to be for Cause unless and until there has been delivered to Executive a copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Board (after reasonable notice is provided to Executive and Executive is given an opportunity to be heard by the Board), finding that, in the good faith opinion of the Board, Executive's conduct met the standard for termination for Cause.

In the event of a termination under this Section 6(c), the Company will pay only the portion of Base Salary or previously awarded bonus unpaid as of the termination date. Fringe benefits which have accrued and/or vested on the termination date will continue in effect according to their terms.

(d) Termination By The Company Without Cause. The Company may terminate Executive's employment hereunder at any time without Cause upon 30 days written notice to Executive or pay in lieu thereof. In the event of a termination under this Section 6(d), the Executive shall be entitled to the benefits set forth in Section 7.

(e) Termination By The Executive For Good Reason. The Executive shall have the right to terminate this Agreement for Good Reason. For purposes of this Agreement, "Good Reason" shall mean the occurrence, without the Executive's express written consent, of any one or more of the following events:

(i) A significant reduction in Executive's responsibilities or title;

(ii) A reduction in the Executive's Base Salary or a material reduction by the Company in the value of the Executive's total compensation package (salary, bonus opportunity, equity incentive award opportunity and benefits) if such a reduction is not made in proportion to an across-the-board reduction for all senior executives of the Company and a Change of Control (as defined in Section 2(f) of the Redwood Trust, Inc. Executive Deferred Compensation Plan) has not occurred;

(iii) The relocation of the Executive's principal Company office to a location more than twenty-five (25) miles from its location as of the Effective Date, except for required travel on the Company's business to the extent necessary to fulfill the Executive's obligations under Section 1;

(iv) A failure at any time to renew this Agreement for successive one-year periods pursuant to Section 2;

(v) The complete liquidation of the Company; or

(vi) In the event of a merger, consolidation, transfer, or closing of a sale of all or substantially all the assets of the Company with or to any other individual or entity, the failure of the Company's successor to affirmatively adopt this Agreement or to otherwise comply with its obligations pursuant to Section 13 below.

In the event of a termination under this Section 6(e), the Executive shall be entitled to the benefits set forth in Section 7.

(f) Termination By The Executive Without Good Reason. The Executive may at any time during the Term terminate his employment hereunder for any reason or no reason by giving the Company notice in writing not less than one hundred twenty (120) days in advance of such termination. The Executive shall have no further obligations to the Company after the effective date of termination, as set forth in the notice. In the event of a termination by the Executive under this Section 6(f), the Company will pay only the portion of Base Salary or previously awarded bonus unpaid as of the termination date. Fringe benefits which have accrued and/or vested on the termination date will continue in effect according to their terms.

7. COMPENSATION UPON TERMINATION BY THE COMPANY WITHOUT CAUSE OR BY THE EXECUTIVE FOR GOOD REASON.

(a) If the Executive's employment shall be terminated by the Company without Cause or by the Executive for Good Reason, the Executive shall be entitled to the following benefits:

(i) **Payment of Unpaid Base Salary.** The Company shall immediately pay the Executive any portion of the Executive's Base Salary through the date of termination or previously awarded bonus not paid prior to the termination date.

(ii) **Severance Payment.** The Company shall provide the Executive the following: (x) an amount equal to 2.5 times Executive's Annual Base Salary as in effect immediately prior to his termination; (y) an amount equal to 1.5 times the Executive's Annual Base Salary in effect immediately prior to his termination prorated for the number of days of employment completed by the Executive during the year in which his employment is terminated; and (z) with respect to options granted on or before December 31, 2002, the sum of the Dividend Equivalent Rights payments (as defined in the applicable award agreement by which any such Dividend Equivalent Rights were granted) that would have been payable to Executive over the one (1) year period following his termination had he remained employed (taking into consideration the term of options and Dividend Equivalent Rights and assuming that the options are fully vested and remain unexercised). Payments pursuant to this Section with respect to options granted after December 31, 2002 will be calculated in the same manner, unless such options provide a different formula for Dividend Equivalent Rights payments if Executive's employment is terminated by the Company without Cause or by the Executive for Good Reason, in which case the Dividend Equivalent Rights payments shall be governed by the terms of such options. The quarterly dividend per share rate that shall be used in this calculation is the higher of (I) one-fourth (25%) of the sum of common stock dividends declared per common share in the twelve (12) months prior to the termination date, and (II) one-twelfth (8.333%) of the sum of common stock dividends declared per common share in the thirty-six (36) months prior to the termination date.

(iii) **Stock Options and Other Equity-Related Awards.** All stock options and other equity-related awards, including restricted stock awards, held by the Executive as of the termination date, shall vest in full and, in the case of stock options, shall be exercisable for such period as set forth in the applicable award agreements by which such awards are evidenced.

(iv) **Continuation of Fringe Benefits.** For the twelve (12) month period following the termination of the Executive's employment, the Company shall continue to provide the Executive with all life insurance, disability insurance and medical coverage fringe benefits set forth in Section 4 as if the Executive's employment under the Agreement had not been terminated; *provided, however*, that such life insurance, disability insurance and medical coverage shall cease as of the date the Executive receives such coverage from a subsequent employer. No provision of this Agreement will affect the continuation coverage rules under Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 ("COBRA"), except that the Company's payment, if any, of applicable insurance premiums will be credited as payment by the Executive for purposes of the Executive's payment required under COBRA. Therefore, the period during which the Executive may elect to continue the Company's medical plan coverage at the Executive's own expense under COBRA, the length of time during which COBRA coverage will be made available to the Executive, and all other rights and obligations of the Executive under COBRA (except the obligation to pay insurance premiums that the Company pays) will be applied in the same manner that such rules would apply in the absence of this Agreement. For purposes of this Section 7(a)(iv), (A) references to COBRA shall be deemed to refer also to analogous provisions of state law and (B) any applicable insurance premiums that are paid by the Company shall not include any amounts payable by the Executive under an Internal Revenue Code Section 125 health care reimbursement plan, which amounts, if any, are the sole responsibility of the Executive.

(v) Excise Tax Gross-Up. In the event that the Executive becomes entitled to the payments and benefits provided under the provisions of this Section 7 (“Payments and Benefits”), and if any of the Payments and Benefits will be subject to any excise tax imposed under Section 4999 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time (the “Code”), or successor sections thereto (“Excise Tax”), the Company shall pay to or for the benefit of the Executive an additional amount (the “Gross-Up Payment”) such that the net amount retained by the Executive, after deduction of any Excise Tax on the Payments and Benefits and any federal, state and local income tax and Excise Tax upon the payments provided for under this Section 7(a)(v), shall be equal to the amount of the Payments and Benefits. For purposes of determining whether any of the Payments and Benefits will be subject to the Excise Tax and the amount of such Excise Tax, (i) any other payments or benefits received or to be received by the Executive that are contingent on a transaction described in Section 280G(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Code or on an event, including (without limitation) a termination of the Executive’s employment that is materially related to such a transaction (whether pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or any other plan, arrangement or agreement with the Company, any person whose actions result in such a transaction, or any person affiliated with the Company or such person) shall be treated as “parachute payments” within the meaning of Section 280G(b)(2) of the Code, and all “excess parachute payments” within the meaning of Section 280G(b)(1) of the Code shall be treated as subject to the Excise Tax, unless, in the opinion of tax counsel selected by the Company and reasonably acceptable to the Executive, such other payments or benefits (in whole or in part) do not constitute parachute payments, including by reason of Section 280G(b)(4)(A) of the Code, or such excess parachute payments (in whole or in part) represent reasonable compensation for services actually rendered, within the meaning of Section 280G(b)(4)(B) of the Code, in excess of the Base Amount (as defined in Section 280G(b)(3) of the Code) allocable to such reasonable compensation, or are otherwise not subject to the Excise Tax; (ii) the amount of the Payments and Benefits which shall be treated as subject to the Excise Tax shall be equal to the lesser of (A) the total amount of the Payments and Benefits or (B) the amount of excess parachute payments within the meaning of Section 280G(b)(1) of the Code (after applying clause (i), above); and (iii) the value of any non-cash benefits or any deferred payment or benefit shall be determined by the Company’s independent auditors in accordance with the principles of Sections 280G(d)(3) and (4) of the Code. For purposes of determining the amount of the Gross-Up Payment, the Executive shall be deemed to pay federal income taxes at the highest marginal rate of federal income taxation in the calendar year in which the Gross-Up Payment is to be made and state and local income taxes at the highest marginal rate of taxation in the state and locality of the Executive’s residence on the termination date of employment, net of the maximum reduction in federal income taxes which could be obtained from deduction of such state and local taxes based on the marginal rate referenced above. In the event that the Excise Tax is subsequently determined to be less than the amount taken into account hereunder at the termination date, the Executive shall repay to the Company, at the time that the amount of such reduction in Excise Tax is finally determined, the portion of the Gross-Up Payment attributable to such reduction (plus that portion of the Gross-Up Payment attributable to the Excise Tax and federal, state and local income tax imposed on the Gross-Up Payment being repaid by the Executive to the extent that such repayment results in a reduction in Excise Tax and/or a federal, state or local income tax deduction) plus interest on the amount of such repayment at the rate provided in Section 1274(b)(2)(B) of the Code. In the event that the Excise Tax is determined to exceed the amount taken into account hereunder at the time of the termination of the Executive’s employment (including by reason of any payment, the existence or amount of which cannot be determined at the time of the Gross-Up Payment), the Company shall make an additional Gross-Up Payment in respect of such excess (plus any interest, penalties or additions payable by the Executive with respect to such excess, but only to the extent that such interest, penalties or additions would not have been reduced by prompt payment by the Executive to the appropriate tax authority of the Gross-Up Payments previously received) at the time that the amount of such excess is finally determined. The Executive and the Company shall each reasonably cooperate with the other in connection with any administrative or judicial proceedings concerning the existence or amount of liability for Excise Tax with respect to the Payments and Benefits.

(b) No Mitigation Required; No Other Entitlement To Benefits Under Agreement. The Executive shall not be required in any way to mitigate the amount of any payment provided for in this Section 7, including, without limitation, by seeking other employment, nor shall the amount of any payment provided for in this Section 7 be reduced by any compensation earned by the Executive as the result of employment with another employer after the termination date of employment, or otherwise. Except as set forth in this Section 7, following a termination governed by this Section 7, the Executive shall not be entitled to any other compensation or benefits set forth in this Agreement, except as may be separately negotiated by the parties and approved the Board in writing in conjunction with the termination of Executive's employment under this Section 7.

(c) Release Agreement. As a condition of receiving any of the payments and benefits set forth in this Section 7, the Executive shall be required to execute a mutual release agreement in the form attached hereto as Exhibit C or Exhibit D, as appropriate, and such release agreement must have become effective in accordance with its terms. The Company, in its sole discretion, may modify the term of the required release agreement to comply with applicable state law and may incorporate the required release agreement into a termination agreement or other agreement with the Executive.

(d) Timing of Severance Payments. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, all severance payments provided under this Agreement in connection with the termination of the employment of the Executive shall be payable in an amount equal to 75% of such payments on the date that is six months after the termination date, and the remaining 25% shall be payable in six equal monthly installments beginning on the date that is seven months after the termination date and continuing on the same date of each of the five months thereafter.

(e) Timing of Bonus Payments. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, all bonus payments provided under the Agreement in connection with the termination of the employment of the Executive shall be payable on the date that is six months after the termination date.

8. Disputes Relating To Executive's Termination Of Employment For Good Reason. If the Executive resigns his employment with the Company alleging in good faith as the basis for such resignation "Good Reason" as defined in Section 6(e), and if the Company then disputes the Executive's right to the payment of benefits under Section 7, the Company shall continue to pay the Executive the full compensation (including, without limitation, his Base Salary) in effect at the date the Executive provided written notice of such resignation, and the Company shall continue the Executive as a participant in all compensation, benefit and insurance plans in which the Executive was then a participant, until the earlier of the expiration of the Term or the date the dispute is finally resolved, either by mutual written agreement of the parties or by application of the provisions of Section 11. For the purposes of this Section 8, the Company shall bear the burden of proving that the grounds for the Executive's resignation do not fall within the scope of Section 6(e), and there shall be a rebuttable presumption that the Executive alleged such grounds in good faith.

9. Noncompetition Provisions.

(a) Noncompetition. The Executive agrees that during the Term prior to any termination of his employment hereunder, he will not, directly or indirectly, without the prior written consent of a majority of the non-employee members of the Board, manage, operate, join, control, participate in, or be connected as a stockholder (other than as a holder of shares publicly traded on a stock exchange or the NASDAQ National Market System), partner, or other equity holder with, or as an officer, director or employee of, any real estate investment organization whose business strategy is competitive with that of the Company, as determined by a majority of the non-employee members of the Board. It is further expressly agreed that the Company will or would suffer irreparable injury if the Executive were to compete with the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate of the Company in violation of this Agreement and that the Company would by reason of such competition be entitled to injunctive relief in a court of appropriate jurisdiction, and the Executive further consents and stipulates to the entry of such injunctive relief in such a court prohibiting the Executive from competing with the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate of the Company, in the areas of business set forth above, in violation of this Agreement.

(b) Duty To Avoid Conflict Of Interest. During his employment by the Company, Executive agrees not to engage or participate in, directly or indirectly, any activities in conflict with the best interests of the Company. The Company shall be the final decision-maker with regard to any conflict of interest issue.

(c) Right To Company Materials. The Executive agrees that all styles, designs, lists, materials, books, files, reports, correspondence, records, and other documents ("Company Materials") used, prepared, or made available to the Executive shall be and shall remain the property of the Company. Upon the termination of employment or the expiration of this Agreement, the Executive shall immediately return to the Company all Company Materials, and the Executive shall not make or retain any copies thereof.

(d) Nonsolicitation. The Executive promises and agrees that he will not directly or indirectly solicit any of the Company's employees to work for any competing real estate investment organization as determined under Section 9(a) for a period of one (1) year following the occurrence of any event entitling the Executive to payments and benefits, provided the Company makes all such payments when due according to the provisions herein.

(e) Confidential And Proprietary Information.

(1) It is hereby acknowledged that Executive has and shall gain knowledge of trade secrets and confidential information owned by or related to the Company and/or its affiliates, including but not limited to the following: (i) the names, lists, buying habits and practices of customers, clients or vendors, (ii) marketing and related information, (iii) relationships between them and the persons and entities with whom - or with which the Company has contracted, (iv) with products, designs, software, developments, improvements and methods of operation, (v) financial condition, profit performance and financial requirements, (vi) the compensation paid to employees, (vii) business plans and the information contained therein, and (viii) all other confidential information of, about or concerning the Company, the manner of operation of the Company and other confidential data of any kind, nature or description relating to the Company (collectively, the "Confidential Information"). Confidential Information does not include information which (ix) is or becomes generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by Executive; or (x) becomes available to Executive on a non-confidential basis after the termination or expiration of Executive's obligations under this Agreement from a source other than the Company, provided that such source is not bound by a confidentiality agreement with or other contractual, legal or fiduciary obligation of confidentiality to the Company or any other party with respect to such information; or (xi) is independently developed after the termination or expiration of Executive's obligations under this agreement without reference to the Confidential Information, provided such independent development can reasonably be proven by Executive by written records.

(2) The parties hereby acknowledge that the Confidential Information constitutes important, unique, material and confidential trade secrets which affect the successful activities of the Company, and constitute a substantial part of the assets and goodwill of the Company. In view of the foregoing, Executive agrees that he will not at any time whether during or after the term of this Agreement, except as required in the course of Executive's employment by Company and at its direction and for its sole benefit, in any fashion, form or manner, directly or indirectly (i) use or divulge, disclose, communicate or provide or permit access to any person, firm, partnership, corporation or other entity, any Confidential Information of any kind, nature or description, or (ii) remove from Company's premises any notes or records relating thereto, or copies or facsimiles thereof (whether made by electronic, electrical, magnetic, optical, laser, acoustic or other means).

(3) Promptly upon the request of Company, and immediately upon the termination of Executive's employment, Executive shall not transfer to any third person and shall deliver to Company all Confidential Information, and other property belonging to the Company, including all copies thereof, in the possession or under the control of the Executive.

(4) Executive represents that the performance of all the terms of this Agreement will not conflict with, and will not breach, any other invention assignment agreement, confidentiality agreement, employment agreement or non-competition agreement to which Executive is or has been a party. To the extent that Executive has confidential information or materials of any former employer, Executive acknowledges that the Company has directed Executive to not disclose such confidential information or materials to the Company or any of its employees, and that the Company prohibits Executive from using said confidential information or materials in any work that Executive may perform for the Company. Executive agrees that Executive will not bring with Executive to the Company, and will not use or disclose any confidential, proprietary information, or trade secrets acquired by Executive prior to his employment with the Company. Executive will not disclose to the Company or any of its employees, or induce the Company or any of its employees to use, any confidential or proprietary information or material belonging to any previous employers or others, nor will Executive bring to the Company or use in connection with Executive's work for the Company copies of any software, computer files, or any other copyrighted or trademarked materials except those owned by or licensed to the Company. Executive represents that he is not a party to any other agreement that will interfere with his full compliance with this Agreement. Executive further agrees not to enter into any agreement, whether written or oral, in conflict with the provisions of this Agreement.

(f) Inventions. Any and all inventions, discoveries or improvements that Executive has conceived or made or may conceive or make during the period of employment relating to or in any way pertaining to or connected with the systems, products, computer programs, software, apparatus or methods employed, manufactured or constructed by the Company or to systems, products, apparatus or methods with respect to which the Company engages in, requests or anticipates research or development, shall be promptly and fully disclosed and described by Executive to the Company and shall be the sole and exclusive property of the Company, and Executive shall assign, and hereby does assign to the Company Executive's entire right, title and interest in and to all such inventions, discoveries or improvements as well as any modifications or improvements thereto that may be made. The parties agree that any inventions, discoveries or ideas that Executive has created or possesses prior to his employment by the Company are specified in Exhibit B attached to this Agreement and will not be considered to be the property of the Company.

The obligations outlined in this Section 9(f), except for the requirements as to disclosure, do not apply to any invention that qualifies fully under California Labor Code Section 2870 or to any rights Executive may have acquired in connection with an invention, discovery or improvement that was developed entirely on Executive's own time for which no equipment, supplies, facilities or trade secret information of the Company was used and (a) that does not relate directly or indirectly to the business of the Company or to the Company's actual or demonstrable anticipated research or development, or (b) that does not result from any work performed by Executive for the Company.

(g) Maryland Law. The Executive agrees, in accordance with Maryland law, to first offer to the Company corporate opportunities learned of solely as a result of his service as an officer of the Company.

(h) Breach. It is expressly agreed that each breach of this Section 9 is a distinct and material breach of this Agreement and that solely a monetary remedy would be inadequate, impracticable and extremely difficult to prove, and that each such breach would cause the Company irreparable harm. It is further agreed that, in addition to any and all remedies available at law or equity (including money damages), either party shall be entitled to temporary and permanent injunctive relief to enforce the provisions of this Section, without the necessity of proving actual damages. It is further agreed that either party shall be entitled to seek such equitable relief in any forum, including a court of law, notwithstanding the provisions of Section 11. Either party may pursue any of the remedies described herein concurrently or consecutively in any order as to any such breach or violation, and the pursuit of one of such remedies at any time will not be deemed an election of remedies or waiver of the right to pursue any of the other such remedies. Any breach of this Section 9 shall immediately terminate any obligations by the Company to provide Executive with severance and continued benefits pursuant to Section 6 or 7 of this Agreement.

(i) Unenforceability. Should any portion of this Section 9 be deemed unenforceable because of its scope, duration or effect, and only in such event, then the parties expressly consent and agree to such limitation on scope, duration or effect as may be finally adjudicated as enforceable, to give this Section 9 its maximum permissible scope, duration and effect.

10. Notices. All notices and other communications under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be given by fax or first class mail, certified or registered with return receipt requested, and shall be deemed to have been duly given three (3) days after mailing or twenty-four (24) hours after transmission of a fax to the respective persons named below:

If to the Company: Redwood Trust, Inc.
Attn: Chief Executive Officer
One Belvedere Place, Suite 300
Mill Valley, CA 94941
Phone: (415) 389-7373
Fax: (415) 381-1773

If to the Executive: Martin S. Hughes
c/o Redwood Trust, Inc.
One Belvedere Place, Suite 300
Mill Valley, CA 94941
Phone: (415) 389-7373
Fax: (415) 381-1773

Either party may change such party's address for notices by notice duly given pursuant hereto.

11. Resolution of Disputes. To ensure the rapid and economical resolution of disputes that may arise in connection with the Executive's employment with the Company, the Executive and the Company agree that any and all disputes, claims, or causes of action, in law or equity, arising from or relating to the enforcement, breach, performance, or interpretation of this Agreement, the Executive's employment, or the termination of the Executive's employment ("Arbitrable Claims") shall be submitted to confidential mediation in San Francisco, California conducted by a mutually agreeable mediator from Judicial Arbitration and Mediation Services ("JAMS") or its successor, and the cost of JAMS' mediation fees shall be paid by the Company. In the event that mediation is unsuccessful in resolving the Arbitrable Claims, the Arbitrable Claims shall be resolved, to the fullest extent permitted by law, by final, binding and confidential arbitration in San Francisco, California conducted by JAMS or its successor, under the then applicable rules of JAMS. **The Executive acknowledges that by agreeing to this arbitration procedure, both the Executive and the Company waive the right to resolve any such dispute through a trial by jury or judge or administrative proceeding.** The arbitrator shall: (a) have the authority to compel adequate discovery for the resolution of the dispute and to award such relief as would otherwise be permitted by law; and (b) issue a written arbitration decision including the arbitrator's essential findings and conclusions and a statement of the award. The arbitrator shall be authorized to award any or all remedies that the Executive or the Company would be entitled to seek in a court of law, including, without limitation, the award of attorneys' fees based on a determination of the extent to which each party has prevailed as to the material issues raised in determination of the dispute. The Company shall pay all JAMS' arbitration fees in excess of those which would be required if the dispute were decided in a court of law. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to prevent either the Executive or the Company from obtaining injunctive relief in court to prevent irreparable harm pending the conclusion of any such mediation or arbitration.

12. Termination Of Prior Agreements. This Agreement terminates and supersedes any and all prior agreements and understandings between the parties with respect to employment or with respect to the compensation of the Executive by the Company.

13. Assignment Successors. This Agreement is personal in its nature, and neither of the parties hereto shall, without the consent of the other, assign or transfer this Agreement or any rights or obligations hereunder; *provided, however*, that, in the event of the merger, consolidation, transfer, or sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company with or to any other individual or entity, this Agreement shall, subject to the provisions hereof, be binding upon and inure to the benefit of such successor and such successor shall discharge and perform all the promises, covenants, duties, and obligations of the Company hereunder.

14. Governing Law. This Agreement and the legal relations thus created between the parties hereto shall be governed by and construed under and in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

15. Entire Agreement; Headings. This Agreement embodies the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof, excluding the plans and programs under which compensation and benefits are provided pursuant to Sections 3 and 4 hereof to the extent such plans and programs are not inconsistent with this Agreement, and may be modified only in writing. Section headings in this Agreement are included herein for convenience of reference only and shall not constitute a part of this Agreement for any other purpose.

16. Waiver; Modification. Failure to insist upon strict compliance with any of the terms, covenants, or conditions hereof shall not be deemed a waiver of such term, covenant, or condition, nor shall any waiver or relinquishment of, or failure to insist upon strict compliance with, any right or power hereunder at any one or more times be deemed a waiver or relinquishment of such right or power at any other time or times. This Agreement shall not be modified in any respect except by a writing executed by each party hereto.

17. Severability. In the event that a court of competent jurisdiction determines that any portion of this Agreement is in violation of any statute or public policy, only the portions of this Agreement that violate such statute or public policy shall be stricken. All portions of this Agreement that do not violate any statute or public policy shall continue in full force and effect. Further, any court order striking any portion of this Agreement shall modify the stricken terms as narrowly as possible to give as much effect as possible to the intentions of the parties under this Agreement.

18. Indemnification. The Company shall indemnify and hold Executive harmless to the maximum extent permitted by Section 2-418 of the Maryland General Corporations Law or its successor statute, or if greater, by the Company's Bylaws, by any applicable resolution of the Board or by the terms providing the most extensive indemnification contained in any written agreement between the Company and any director or officer of the Company. The Company shall make Executive a named beneficiary under all director and officer liability policies maintained by the Company from time to time for the benefit of its directors and officers, entitled to all benefits provided thereunder to persons serving in a comparable role as an officer of the Company.

19. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original but all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument.

20. Successor Sections. References herein to sections or rules of the Code or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, shall be deemed to include any successor sections or rules.

In Witness Whereof, the Company has caused this Agreement to be executed by its duly authorized officer, and the Executive has hereunto signed this Agreement, as of the Effective Date.

REDWOOD TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ GEORGE E. BULL, III

GEORGE E. BULL, III
Chief Executive Officer

/s/ MARTIN S. HUGHES

MARTIN S. HUGHES

Exhibit C

RELEASE AGREEMENT

Except as otherwise set forth in this Release Agreement or in Sections 7 and 18 of the Amended and Restated Employment Agreement between Martin S. Hughes and Redwood Trust, Inc., Martin S. Hughes ("Executive") hereby generally and completely releases the Company and its directors, officers, employees, shareholders, partners, agents, attorneys, predecessors, successors, parent and subsidiary entities, insurers, affiliates, and assigns from any and all claims, liabilities and obligations, both known and unknown, that arise out of or are in any way related to events, acts, conduct, or omissions occurring at any time prior to and including the date Executive signs this Release Agreement. The Company, its directors, officers, employees, shareholders, partners, agents, attorneys, predecessors, successors, parent and subsidiary entities, insurers, affiliates, and assigns, hereby releases Executive and his heirs, executors, successors and assigns, from any and all claims, liabilities and obligations, both known and unknown, that arise out of or are in any way related to events, acts, conduct, or omissions occurring at any time prior to and including the date the Company signs this Release Agreement. This general mutual release includes, but is not limited to: (A) all claims arising out of or in any way related to Executive's employment with the Company or the termination of that employment; (B) all claims related to Executive's compensation or benefits from the Company, including salary, bonuses, commissions, vacation pay, expense reimbursements, severance pay, fringe benefits, stock, stock options, or any other ownership interests in the Company; (C) all claims for breach of contract, wrongful termination, and breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing; (D) all tort claims, including claims for fraud, defamation, emotional distress, and discharge in violation of public policy; and (E) all federal, state, and local statutory claims, including claims for discrimination, harassment, retaliation, attorneys' fees, or other claims arising under the federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 (as amended), the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the federal Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 (as amended) ("ADEA"), the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (as amended), and the California Fair Employment and Housing Act (as amended); *provided, however*, that nothing in this paragraph shall be construed in any way to release the Company from its obligation to indemnify Executive pursuant to agreement, the Company's bylaws or binding resolutions, or applicable law.

Executive acknowledges that he is knowingly and voluntarily waiving and releasing any rights he may have under the ADEA, and that the consideration given under his Employment Agreement with the Company for the waiver and release in the preceding paragraph hereof is in addition to anything of value to which he was already entitled. Executive further acknowledges that he has been advised by this writing, as required by the ADEA, that: (A) this waiver and release does not apply to any rights or claims that may arise after the date Executive signs this Release Agreement; (B) Executive should consult with an attorney prior to signing this Release Agreement (although Executive may choose voluntarily not to do so); (C) Executive has twenty-one (21) days to consider this Release Agreement (although Executive may choose voluntarily to sign this Release Agreement earlier); (D) Executive has seven (7) days following the date that he signs this Release Agreement to revoke the Release Agreement by providing written notice to an officer of the Company; and (E) this Release Agreement shall not be effective until the date upon which the revocation period has expired, which shall be the eighth day after Executive signs this Release Agreement.

Both Executive and the Company acknowledge that each has read and understands Section 1542 of the California Civil Code which reads as follows: **“A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor.”** Both Executive and the Company hereby expressly waive and relinquish all rights and benefits under that section and any law of any jurisdiction of similar effect with respect to each party’s release of any claims hereunder.

EXECUTIVE

Name: _____

Date: _____

Company

Name: _____

Date: _____

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Executive acknowledges that he is knowingly and voluntarily waiving and releasing any rights he may have under the ADEA, and that the consideration given under his Employment Agreement with the Company for the waiver and release in the preceding paragraph hereof is in addition to anything of value to which he was already entitled. Executive further acknowledges that he has been advised by this writing, as required by the ADEA, that: (A) this waiver and release does not apply to any rights or claims that may arise after the date Executive signs this Release Agreement; (B) Executive should consult with an attorney prior to signing this Release Agreement (although Executive may choose voluntarily not to do so); (C) Executive has forty-five (45) days to consider this Release Agreement (although he may choose voluntarily to sign this Release Agreement earlier); (D) Executive has seven (7) days following the date that he signs this Release Agreement to revoke the Release Agreement by providing written notice to an officer of the Company; (E) this Release Agreement shall not be effective until the date upon which the revocation period has expired, which shall be the eighth day after Executive signs this Release Agreement; and (F) Executive has received with this Release Agreement a detailed list of the job titles and ages of all employees who were terminated in this group termination and the ages of all employees of the Company in the same job classification or organizational unit who were not terminated.

Both the Executive and the Company acknowledge that each has read and understands Section 1542 of the California Civil Code which reads as follows: **"A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor."** Both the Executive and the Company hereby expressly waive and relinquish all rights and benefits under that section and any law of any jurisdiction of similar effect with respect to each party's release of any claims hereunder.

EXECUTIVE

Name: _____

Date: _____

Company

Name: _____

Date: _____

AMENDED AND RESTATED EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This **Amended and Restated Employment Agreement** (“Agreement”), effective as of the 22nd day of February, 2005 (the “EffectiveDate”), and amended and restated as of the 31st day of March, 2009, is entered into by and between **Brett D. Nicholas** (the “Executive”) and **Redwood Trust, Inc.**, a Maryland corporation (the “Company”).

The Company desires to establish its right to the continued services of the Executive, in the capacity, on the terms and conditions, and subject to the rights of termination hereinafter set forth, and the Executive is willing to accept such employment in such capacity, on such terms and conditions, and subject to such rights of termination. As of the Effective Date, this Agreement wholly supersedes the Employment Agreement between the Executive and the Company that was effective as of April 20, 2000.

In consideration of the mutual agreements hereinafter set forth, the Executive and the Company have agreed and do hereby agree as follows:

1. Employment As Chief Investment Officer and Co-Chief Operating Officer Of The Company. The Company does hereby employ the Executive **As Chief Investment Officer and Co-Chief Operating Officer** of the Company, reporting to the Chief Executive Officer and of the Company. The Executive does hereby accept and agree to such employment. The Executive’s duties shall be such executive and managerial duties as set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto. The Chief Executive Officer may, from time to time, in its sole discretion, modify, reassign and/or augment the Executive’s responsibilities, subject to approval by the Board of Directors of the Company (the “Board”). Any such modification, reassignment or augmentation of responsibilities shall be in writing. The Executive shall devote such time, energy and skill to the performance of his duties for the Company and for the benefit of the Company as may be necessary or required for the effective conduct and operation of the Company’s business. Furthermore, the Executive shall act only in good faith and exercise due diligence and care in the performance of his duties to the Company under this Agreement.

2. Term of Agreement. The term of this Agreement (the “Term”) shall commence on the Effective Date and shall continue through December 31, 2007; *provided, however*, that (i) on January 1, 2008 and each succeeding January 1, the Term shall automatically be extended for one additional year unless, not later than three months prior to any such January 1, either party shall have given written notice to the other that it does not wish to extend the Term and (ii) such one year extensions of the Term shall not occur on and after the January 1 of the year in which the Executive will attain age sixty-five (65) but instead the Term shall be extended only until the date of the Executive’s sixty-fifth (65th) birthday.

3. Compensation.

(a) Base Salary. The Company shall pay the Executive, and the Executive agrees to accept from the Company, in payment for his services to the Company a base salary at the rate of \$500,000 per year ("Base Salary"), payable in equal biweekly installments or at such other time or times as the Executive and Company shall agree. Base Salary shall be subject to such adjustments as the Company and the Executive shall agree.

(b) Performance Bonus – Board of Directors' Discretion. The Executive shall be eligible to receive an annual bonus. The Board in its discretion will determine whether such annual bonus will be paid, the amount of such bonus and its form of payment. The Executive's target annual bonus amount is 150% of his Base Salary (the "Target Bonus"). If the Board determines in its discretion that the Executive's performance meets or exceeds the criteria established by the Board for the award of a Target Bonus, the Board may award the Executive the Target Bonus or a higher amount. Likewise, if the Executive's performance does not meet said criteria, the Board may award a lesser amount, or no bonus may be awarded. Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, the Executive's eligibility to receive any bonus under this Section 3(b) shall be expressly conditioned on, among other things, the Executive remaining employed with the Company up through any designated distribution date set by the Board.

(c) Equity Incentive Awards. Executive shall be eligible to receive grants of equity-based long-term incentive awards, which may include options to purchase Company stock and Company restricted stock contributions to Company's deferred compensation plan, or other Awards. Such awards shall be determined in the discretion of the Board. In the event of a Change of Control (as defined in Section 2(f) of the Redwood Trust, Inc. Executive Deferred Compensation Plan) in which the surviving or acquiring corporation does not assume the Executive's outstanding stock options and equity-related awards (including options and awards granted both before and after the Effective Date) or substitute similar options and equity-related awards, such options and equity-related awards shall immediately vest and become exercisable if the Executive's service with the Company has not terminated before the effective date of the Change of Control; *provided, however*, that the foregoing provision shall only apply if the Company is not the surviving corporation or if shares of the Company's common stock are converted into or exchanged for other securities or cash.

(d) Annual Review. The Executive's performance shall be reviewed at least annually. The performance evaluations shall consider and assess the Executive's performance of his duties and responsibilities, the timely accomplishment of existing performance objectives, his level of efficiency and overall effectiveness and/or other factors or criteria that the Company, in its sole discretion, may deem relevant. The frequency of performance evaluations may vary depending upon, among other things, length of service, past performance, changes in job duties or performance levels. The Board shall, at least annually, review the Executive's entire compensation package to determine whether it continues to meet the Company's compensation objectives. Such annual review will include a determination of (i) whether to increase the Base Salary in accordance with Section 3(a); (ii) the incentive performance bonus to be awarded in accordance with Section 3(b); and (iii) the amount and type of any equity awards granted in accordance with Section 3(c). Positive performance evaluations do not guarantee salary increases or incentive bonuses. Salary increases and incentive bonus awards are solely within the discretion of the Board and may depend upon many factors other than the Executive's performance.

4. Fringe Benefits. The Executive shall be entitled to participate in any benefit programs adopted from time to time by the Company for the benefit of its senior executive employees, and the Executive shall be entitled to receive such other fringe benefits as may be granted to him from time to time by the Board.

(a) Benefit Plans. The Executive shall be entitled to participate in any benefit plans relating to stock options, stock purchases, pension, thrift, profit sharing, life insurance, medical coverage, education, deferred compensation, or other retirement or employee benefits available to other senior executive employees of the Company, subject to any restrictions (including waiting periods) specified in such plans and/or related individual agreements. The Company shall make commercially reasonable efforts to obtain medical and disability insurance, and such other forms of insurance as the Board shall from time to time determine, for its senior executive employees.

(b) Paid Time Off. The Executive shall be entitled to twenty-five (25) days of paid time off ("PTO") per calendar year consistent with the Executive's satisfactory performance of the duties set forth in Section 1 and in accordance with Company policies regarding PTO; *provided, however,* that the Executive may accrue up to a maximum of fifty (50) days of PTO. The Executive may use PTO for any reason, including vacation, sick time, personal time and family illness.

5. Business Expenses. The Company shall reimburse the Executive for any and all necessary, customary and usual expenses, properly received in accordance with Company policies, incurred by Executive on behalf of the Company.

6. Termination of Executive's Employment.

(a) Death. If the Executive dies while employed by the Company, his employment shall immediately terminate. The Company's obligation to pay the Executive's Base Salary shall cease as of the date of the Executive's death, and any unpaid Base Salary shall be paid to the Executive's estate. In addition, within fifteen (15) days of the Executive's death, the Company shall pay to the Executive's estate an incentive performance bonus based on Executive's Target Bonus then in effect, prorated for the number of days of employment completed by the Executive during the year of his death. Executive's beneficiaries or his estate shall receive benefits in accordance with the Company's retirement, insurance and other applicable programs and plans then in effect. All stock options or other equity-related awards, including restricted stock awards, shall vest in full and, in the case of stock options, shall be exercisable for such period as set forth in the applicable award agreement by which such awards are evidenced.

(b) Disability. If, as a result of the Executive's incapacity due to physical or mental illness ("Disability"), Executive shall have been absent from the full-time performance of his duties with the Company for six (6) consecutive months, and, within thirty (30) days after written notice is provided to him by the Company, he shall not have returned to the full-time performance of his duties, the Executive's employment under this Agreement may be terminated by the Company for Disability. During any period prior to such termination during which the Executive is absent from the full-time performance of his duties with the Company due to Disability, the Company shall continue to pay the Executive his Base Salary at the rate in effect at the commencement of such period of Disability. Subsequent to such termination, the Executive's benefits shall be determined under the Company's retirement, insurance and other compensation programs then in effect in accordance with the terms of such programs. In addition, within fifteen (15) days of such termination, the Company shall pay to the Executive an incentive performance bonus based on Executive's Target Bonus then in effect, prorated for the number of days of employment completed by the Executive during the year in which his employment terminated. The Executive, the Executive's beneficiaries or his estate shall receive benefits in accordance with the Company's retirement, insurance and other applicable programs and plans then in effect. All stock options or other equity-related awards, including restricted stock awards, shall vest in full and, in the case of stock options, shall be exercisable for such period as set forth in the applicable award agreement by which such awards are evidenced.

(c) Termination By The Company For Cause. The Company may terminate the Executive's employment under this Agreement for Cause, at any time prior to expiration of the Term of the Agreement. For purposes of this Agreement, "Cause" shall mean (i) the Executive's material failure to substantially perform the reasonable and lawful duties of his position for the Company, which failure shall continue for thirty (30) days after notice thereof by the Company to the Executive; (ii) acts or omissions constituting gross negligence, recklessness or willful misconduct on the part of the Executive in respect of the performance of his duties hereunder, his fiduciary obligations or otherwise relating to the business of the Company; (iii) the habitual or repeated neglect of his duties by Executive; (iv) the Executive's conviction of a felony; (v) theft or embezzlement, or attempted theft or embezzlement, of money or tangible or intangible assets or property of the Company or its employees, customers, clients, or others having business relations with the Company; (vi) any act of moral turpitude by Executive injurious to the interest, property, operations, business or reputation of the Company; or (vii) unauthorized use or disclosure of trade secrets or confidential or proprietary information pertaining to Company business. However, the termination of Executive's employment shall not be deemed to be for Cause unless and until there has been delivered to Executive a copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Board (after reasonable notice is provided to Executive and Executive is given an opportunity to be heard by the Board), finding that, in the good faith opinion of the Board, Executive's conduct met the standard for termination for Cause.

In the event of a termination under this Section 6(c), the Company will pay only the portion of Base Salary or previously awarded bonus unpaid as of the termination date. Fringe benefits which have accrued and/or vested on the termination date will continue in effect according to their terms.

(d) Termination By The Company Without Cause. The Company may terminate Executive's employment hereunder at any time without Cause upon 30 days written notice to Executive or pay in lieu thereof. In the event of a termination under this Section 6(d), the Executive shall be entitled to the benefits set forth in Section 7.

(e) Termination By The Executive For Good Reason. The Executive shall have the right to terminate this Agreement for Good Reason. For purposes of this Agreement, "Good Reason" shall mean the occurrence, without the Executive's express written consent, of any one or more of the following events:

(i) A significant reduction in Executive's responsibilities or title;

(ii) A reduction in the Executive's Base Salary or a material reduction by the Company in the value of the Executive's total compensation package (salary, bonus opportunity, equity incentive award opportunity and benefits) if such a reduction is not made in proportion to an across-the-board reduction for all senior executives of the Company and a Change of Control (as defined in Section 2(f) of the Redwood Trust, Inc. Executive Deferred Compensation Plan) has not occurred;

(iii) The relocation of the Executive's principal Company office to a location more than twenty-five (25) miles from its location as of the Effective Date, except for required travel on the Company's business to the extent necessary to fulfill the Executive's obligations under Section 1;

(iv) A failure at any time to renew this Agreement for successive one-year periods pursuant to Section 2;

(v) The complete liquidation of the Company; or

(vi) In the event of a merger, consolidation, transfer, or closing of a sale of all or substantially all the assets of the Company with or to any other individual or entity, the failure of the Company's successor to affirmatively adopt this Agreement or to otherwise comply with its obligations pursuant to Section 13 below.

In the event of a termination under this Section 6(e), the Executive shall be entitled to the benefits set forth in Section 7.

(f) Termination By The Executive Without Good Reason. The Executive may at any time during the Term terminate his employment hereunder for any reason or no reason by giving the Company notice in writing not less than one hundred twenty (120) days in advance of such termination. The Executive shall have no further obligations to the Company after the effective date of termination, as set forth in the notice. In the event of a termination by the Executive under this Section 6(f), the Company will pay only the portion of Base Salary or previously awarded bonus unpaid as of the termination date. Fringe benefits which have accrued and/or vested on the termination date will continue in effect according to their terms.

7. Compensation Upon Termination By the Company without Cause or By The Executive for Good Reason.

(a) If the Executive's employment shall be terminated by the Company without Cause or by the Executive for Good Reason, the Executive shall be entitled to the following benefits:

(i) **Payment of Unpaid Base Salary.** The Company shall immediately pay the Executive any portion of the Executive's Base Salary through the date of termination or previously awarded bonus not paid prior to the termination date.

(ii) **Severance Payment.** The Company shall provide the Executive the following: (x) an amount equal to 2.5 times Executive's Annual Base Salary as in effect immediately prior to his termination; (y) an amount equal to 1.5 times the Executive's Annual Base Salary in effect immediately prior to his termination prorated for the number of days of employment completed by the Executive during the year in which his employment is terminated; and (z) with respect to options granted on or before December 31, 2002, the sum of the Dividend Equivalent Rights payments (as defined in the applicable award agreement by which any such Dividend Equivalent Rights were granted) that would have been payable to Executive over the one (1) year period following his termination had he remained employed (taking into consideration the term of options and Dividend Equivalent Rights and assuming that the options are fully vested and remain unexercised). Payments pursuant to this Section with respect to options granted after December 31, 2002 will be calculated in the same manner, unless such options provide a different formula for Dividend Equivalent Rights payments if Executive's employment is terminated by the Company without Cause or by the Executive for Good Reason, in which case the Dividend Equivalent Rights payments shall be governed by the terms of such options. The quarterly dividend per share rate that shall be used in this calculation is the higher of (I) one-fourth (25%) of the sum of common stock dividends declared per common share in the twelve (12) months prior to the termination date, and (II) one-twelfth (8.333%) of the sum of common stock dividends declared per common share in the thirty-six (36) months prior to the termination date.

(iii) **Stock Options and Other Equity-Related Awards.** All stock options and other equity-related awards, including restricted stock awards, held by the Executive as of the termination date, shall vest in full and, in the case of stock options, shall be exercisable for such period as set forth in the applicable award agreements by which such awards are evidenced.

(v) **Continuation of Fringe Benefits.** For the twelve (12) month period following the termination of the Executive's employment, the Company shall continue to provide the Executive with all life insurance, disability insurance and medical coverage fringe benefits set forth in Section 4 as if the Executive's employment under the Agreement had not been terminated; *provided, however*, that such life insurance, disability insurance and medical coverage shall cease as of the date the Executive receives such coverage from a subsequent employer. No provision of this Agreement will affect the continuation coverage rules under Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 ("COBRA"), except that the Company's payment, if any, of applicable insurance premiums will be credited as payment by the Executive for purposes of the Executive's payment required under COBRA. Therefore, the period during which the Executive may elect to continue the Company's medical plan coverage at the Executive's own expense under COBRA, the length of time during which COBRA coverage will be made available to the Executive, and all other rights and obligations of the Executive under COBRA (except the obligation to pay insurance premiums that the Company pays) will be applied in the same manner that such rules would apply in the absence of this Agreement. For purposes of this Section 7(a)(v), (A) references to COBRA shall be deemed to refer also to analogous provisions of state law and (B) any applicable insurance premiums that are paid by the Company shall not include any amounts payable by the Executive under an Internal Revenue Code Section 125 health care reimbursement plan, which amounts, if any, are the sole responsibility of the Executive.

(vi) Excise Tax Gross-Up. In the event that the Executive becomes entitled to the payments and benefits provided under the provisions of this Section 7 (“Payments and Benefits”), and if any of the Payments and Benefits will be subject to any excise tax imposed under Section 4999 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time (the “Code”), or successor sections thereto (“Excise Tax”), the Company shall pay to or for the benefit of the Executive an additional amount (the “Gross-Up Payment”) such that the net amount retained by the Executive, after deduction of any Excise Tax on the Payments and Benefits and any federal, state and local income tax and Excise Tax upon the payments provided for under this Section 7(a)(vi), shall be equal to the amount of the Payments and Benefits. For purposes of determining whether any of the Payments and Benefits will be subject to the Excise Tax and the amount of such Excise Tax, (i) any other payments or benefits received or to be received by the Executive that are contingent on a transaction described in Section 280G(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Code or on an event, including (without limitation) a termination of the Executive’s employment that is materially related to such a transaction (whether pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or any other plan, arrangement or agreement with the Company, any person whose actions result in such a transaction, or any person affiliated with the Company or such person) shall be treated as “parachute payments” within the meaning of Section 280G(b)(2) of the Code, and all “excess parachute payments” within the meaning of Section 280G(b)(1) of the Code shall be treated as subject to the Excise Tax, unless, in the opinion of tax counsel selected by the Company and reasonably acceptable to the Executive, such other payments or benefits (in whole or in part) do not constitute parachute payments, including by reason of Section 280G(b)(4)(A) of the Code, or such excess parachute payments (in whole or in part) represent reasonable compensation for services actually rendered, within the meaning of Section 280G(b)(4)(B) of the Code, in excess of the Base Amount (as defined in Section 280G(b)(3) of the Code) allocable to such reasonable compensation, or are otherwise not subject to the Excise Tax; (ii) the amount of the Payments and Benefits which shall be treated as subject to the Excise Tax shall be equal to the lesser of (A) the total amount of the Payments and Benefits or (B) the amount of excess parachute payments within the meaning of Section 280G(b)(1) of the Code (after applying clause (i), above); and (iii) the value of any non-cash benefits or any deferred payment or benefit shall be determined by the Company’s independent auditors in accordance with the principles of Sections 280G(d)(3) and (4) of the Code. For purposes of determining the amount of the Gross-Up Payment, the Executive shall be deemed to pay federal income taxes at the highest marginal rate of federal income taxation in the calendar year in which the Gross-Up Payment is to be made and state and local income taxes at the highest marginal rate of taxation in the state and locality of the Executive’s residence on the termination date of employment, net of the maximum reduction in federal income taxes which could be obtained from deduction of such state and local taxes based on the marginal rate referenced above. In the event that the Excise Tax is subsequently determined to be less than the amount taken into account hereunder at the termination date, the Executive shall repay to the Company, at the time that the amount of such reduction in Excise Tax is finally determined, the portion of the Gross-Up Payment attributable to such reduction (plus that portion of the Gross-Up Payment attributable to the Excise Tax and federal, state and local income tax imposed on the Gross-Up Payment being repaid by the Executive to the extent that such repayment results in a reduction in Excise Tax and/or a federal, state or local income tax deduction) plus interest on the amount of such repayment at the rate provided in Section 1274(b)(2)(B) of the Code. In the event that the Excise Tax is determined to exceed the amount taken into account hereunder at the time of the termination of the Executive’s employment (including by reason of any payment, the existence or amount of which cannot be determined at the time of the Gross-Up Payment), the Company shall make an additional Gross-Up Payment in respect of such excess (plus any interest, penalties or additions payable by the Executive with respect to such excess, but only to the extent that such interest, penalties or additions would not have been reduced by prompt payment by the Executive to the appropriate tax authority of the Gross-Up Payments previously received) at the time that the amount of such excess is finally determined. The Executive and the Company shall each reasonably cooperate with the other in connection with any administrative or judicial proceedings concerning the existence or amount of liability for Excise Tax with respect to the Payments and Benefits.

(b) No Mitigation Required; No Other Entitlement To Benefits Under Agreement. The Executive shall not be required in any way to mitigate the amount of any payment provided for in this Section 7, including, without limitation, by seeking other employment, nor shall the amount of any payment provided for in this Section 7 be reduced by any compensation earned by the Executive as the result of employment with another employer after the termination date of employment, or otherwise. Except as set forth in this Section 7, following a termination governed by this Section 7, the Executive shall not be entitled to any other compensation or benefits set forth in this Agreement, except as may be separately negotiated by the parties and approved the Board in writing in conjunction with the termination of Executive's employment under this Section 7.

(c) Release Agreement. As a condition of receiving any of the payments and benefits set forth in this Section 7, the Executive shall be required to execute a mutual release agreement in the form attached hereto as Exhibit C or Exhibit D, as appropriate, and such release agreement must have become effective in accordance with its terms. The Company, in its sole discretion, may modify the term of the required release agreement to comply with applicable state law and may incorporate the required release agreement into a termination agreement or other agreement with the Executive.

(d) Timing of Severance Payments. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, any and all severance payments provided under this Agreement in connection with the termination of the employment of the Executive shall be payable in an amount equal to 75% of such payments on the date that is six months after the termination date, and the remaining 25% shall be payable in six equal monthly installments beginning on the date that is seven months after the termination date and continuing on the same date of each of the five months thereafter.

(e) Timing of Bonus Payments. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, any and all bonus payments provided under the Agreement in connection with the termination of the employment of the Executive shall be payable on the date that is six months after the termination date.

8. Disputes Relating To Executive's Termination of Employment For Good Reason. If the Executive resigns his employment with the Company alleging in good faith as the basis for such resignation "Good Reason" as defined in Section 6(e), and if the Company then disputes the Executive's right to the payment of benefits under Section 7, the Company shall continue to pay the Executive the full compensation (including, without limitation, his Base Salary) in effect at the date the Executive provided written notice of such resignation, and the Company shall continue the Executive as a participant in all compensation, benefit and insurance plans in which the Executive was then a participant, until the earlier of the expiration of the Term or the date the dispute is finally resolved, either by mutual written agreement of the parties or by application of the provisions of Section 11. For the purposes of this Section 8, the Company shall bear the burden of proving that the grounds for the Executive's resignation do not fall within the scope of Section 6(e), and there shall be a rebuttable presumption that the Executive alleged such grounds in good faith.

9. Noncompetition Provisions.

(a) Noncompetition. The Executive agrees that during the Term prior to any termination of his employment hereunder, he will not, directly or indirectly, without the prior written consent of a majority of the non-employee members of the Board, manage, operate, join, control, participate in, or be connected as a stockholder (other than as a holder of shares publicly traded on a stock exchange or the NASDAQ National Market System), partner, or other equity holder with, or as an officer, director or employee of, any real estate investment organization whose business strategy is competitive with that of the Company, as determined by a majority of the non-employee members of the Board. It is further expressly agreed that the Company will or would suffer irreparable injury if the Executive were to compete with the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate of the Company in violation of this Agreement and that the Company would by reason of such competition be entitled to injunctive relief in a court of appropriate jurisdiction, and the Executive further consents and stipulates to the entry of such injunctive relief in such a court prohibiting the Executive from competing with the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate of the Company, in the areas of business set forth above, in violation of this Agreement.

(b) Duty To Avoid Conflict Of Interest. During his employment by the Company, Executive agrees not to engage or participate in, directly or indirectly, any activities in conflict with the best interests of the Company. The Company shall be the final decision-maker with regard to any conflict of interest issue.

(c) Right To Company Materials. The Executive agrees that all styles, designs, lists, materials, books, files, reports, correspondence, records, and other documents (“Company Materials”) used, prepared, or made available to the Executive shall be and shall remain the property of the Company. Upon the termination of employment or the expiration of this Agreement, the Executive shall immediately return to the Company all Company Materials, and the Executive shall not make or retain any copies thereof.

(d) Nonsolicitation. The Executive promises and agrees that he will not directly or indirectly solicit any of the Company’s employees to work for any competing real estate investment organization as determined under Section 9(a) for a period of one (1) year following the occurrence of any event entitling the Executive to payments and benefits, provided the Company makes all such payments when due according to the provisions of herein.

(e) Confidential And Proprietary Information.

(1) It is hereby acknowledged that Executive has and shall gain knowledge of trade secrets and confidential information owned by or related to the Company and/or its affiliates including but not limited to the following: (i) the names, lists, buying habits and practices of customers, clients or vendors, (ii) marketing and related information, (iii) relationships with the persons or entities with whom or with which the Company has contracted, (iv) their products, designs, software, developments, improvements and methods of operation, (v) financial condition, profit performance and financial requirements, (vi) the compensation paid to employees, (vii) businessplans and the information contained therein, and (viii) all other confidential information of, about or concerning the Company, the manner of operation of the Company and other confidential data of any kind, nature or description relating to the Company (collectively, the “Confidential Information”). Confidential Information does not include information which (ix) is or becomes generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by Executive; or (x) becomes available to Executive on a non-confidential basis after the termination or expiration of Executive’s obligations under this Agreement from a source other than the Company, provided that such source is not bound by a confidentiality agreement with or other contractual, legal or fiduciary obligation of confidentiality to the Company or any other party with respect to such information; or (xi) is independently developed after the termination or expiration of Executive’s obligations under this agreement without reference to the Confidential Information, provided such independent development can reasonably be proven by Executive by written records.

(2) The parties hereby acknowledge that the Confidential Information constitutes important, unique, material and confidential trade secrets which affect the successful activities of the Company, and constitute a substantial part of the assets and goodwill of the Company. In view of the foregoing, Executive agrees that he will not at any time whether during or after the term of this Agreement, except as required in the course of Executive's employment by Company and at its direction and for its sole benefit, in any fashion, form or manner, directly or indirectly (i) use or divulge, disclose, communicate or provide or permit access to any person, firm, partnership, corporation or other entity, any Confidential Information of any kind, nature or description, or (ii) remove from Company's premises any notes or records relating thereto, or copies or facsimiles thereof (whether made by electronic, electrical, magnetic, optical, laser, acoustic or other means).

(3) Promptly upon the request of Company, and immediately upon the termination of Executive's employment, Executive shall not transfer to any third person and shall deliver to Company all Confidential Information, and other property belonging to the Company, including all copies thereof, in the possession or under the control of the Executive.

(4) Executive represents that the performance of all the terms of this Agreement will not conflict with, and will not breach, any other invention assignment agreement, confidentiality agreement, employment agreement or non-competition agreement to which Executive is or has been a party. To the extent that Executive has confidential information or materials of any former employer, Executive acknowledges that the Company has directed Executive to not disclose such confidential information or materials to the Company or any of its employees, and that the Company prohibits Executive from using said confidential information or materials in any work that Executive may perform for the Company. Executive agrees that Executive will not bring with Executive to the Company, and will not use or disclose any confidential, proprietary information, or trade secrets acquired by Executive prior to his employment with the Company. Executive will not disclose to the Company or any of its employees, or induce the Company or any of its employees to use, any confidential or proprietary information or material belonging to any previous employers or others, nor will Executive bring to the Company or use in connection with Executive's work for the Company copies of any software, computer files, or any other copyrighted or trademarked materials except those owned by or licensed to the Company. Executive represents that he is not a party to any other agreement that will interfere with his full compliance with this Agreement. Executive further agrees not to enter into any agreement, whether written or oral, in conflict with the provisions of this Agreement.

(f) Inventions. Any and all inventions, discoveries or improvements that Executive has conceived or made or may conceive or make during the period of employment relating to or in any way pertaining to or connected with the systems, products, computer programs, software, apparatus or methods employed, manufactured or constructed by the Company or to systems, products, apparatus or methods with respect to which the Company engages in, requests or anticipates research or development, shall be promptly and fully disclosed and described by Executive to the Company and shall be the sole and exclusive property of the Company, and Executive shall assign, and hereby does assign to the Company Executive's entire right, title and interest in and to all such inventions, discoveries or improvements as well as any modifications or improvements thereto that may be made. The parties agree that any inventions, discoveries or ideas that Executive has created or possesses prior to his employment by the Company are specified in Exhibit B attached to this Agreement and will not be considered to be the property of the Company.

The obligations outlined in this Section 9(f), except for the requirements as to disclosure, do not apply to any invention that qualifies fully under California Labor Code Section 2870 or to any rights Executive may have acquired in connection with an invention, discovery or improvement that was developed entirely on Executive's own time for which no equipment, supplies, facilities or trade secret information of the Company was used and (a) that does not relate directly or indirectly to the business of the Company or to the Company's actual or demonstrable anticipated research or development, or (b) that does not result from any work performed by Executive for the Company.

(g) Maryland Law. The Executive agrees, in accordance with Maryland law, to first offer to the Company corporate opportunities learned of solely as a result of his service as an officer of the Company.

(h) Breach. It is expressly agreed that each breach of this Section 9 is a distinct and material breach of this Agreement and that solely a monetary remedy would be inadequate, impracticable and extremely difficult to prove, and that each such breach would cause the Company irreparable harm. It is further agreed that, in addition to any and all remedies available at law or equity (including money damages), either party shall be entitled to temporary and permanent injunctive relief to enforce the provisions of this Section, without the necessity of proving actual damages. It is further agreed that either party shall be entitled to seek such equitable relief in any forum, including a court of law, notwithstanding the provisions of Section 11. Either party may pursue any of the remedies described herein concurrently or consecutively in any order as to any such breach or violation, and the pursuit of one of such remedies at any time will not be deemed an election of remedies or waiver of the right to pursue any of the other such remedies. Any breach of this Section 9 shall immediately terminate any obligations by the Company to provide Executive with severance and continued benefits pursuant to Section 6 or 7 of this Agreement.

12. Termination of Prior Agreements. This Agreement terminates and supersedes any and all prior agreements and understandings between the parties with respect to employment or with respect to the compensation of the Executive by the Company.

13. Assignment Successors. This Agreement is personal in its nature, and neither of the parties hereto shall, without the consent of the other, assign or transfer this Agreement or any rights or obligations hereunder; *provided, however*, that, in the event of the merger, consolidation, transfer, or sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company with or to any other individual or entity, this Agreement shall, subject to the provisions hereof, be binding upon and inure to the benefit of such successor and such successor shall discharge and perform all the promises, covenants, duties, and obligations of the Company hereunder.

14. Governing Law. This Agreement and the legal relations thus created between the parties hereto shall be governed by and construed under and in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

15. Entire Agreement; Headings. This Agreement embodies the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof, excluding the plans and programs under which compensation and benefits are provided pursuant to Sections 3 and 4 hereof to the extent such plans and programs are not inconsistent with this Agreement, and may be modified only in writing. Section headings in this Agreement are included herein for convenience of reference only and shall not constitute a part of this Agreement for any other purpose.

16. Waiver; Modification. Failure to insist upon strict compliance with any of the terms, covenants, or conditions hereof shall not be deemed a waiver of such term, covenant, or condition, nor shall any waiver or relinquishment of, or failure to insist upon strict compliance with, any right or power hereunder at any one or more times be deemed a waiver or relinquishment of such right or power at any other time or times. This Agreement shall not be modified in any respect except by a writing executed by each party hereto.

17. Severability. In the event that a court of competent jurisdiction determines that any portion of this Agreement is in violation of any statute or public policy, only the portions of this Agreement that violate such statute or public policy shall be stricken. All portions of this Agreement that do not violate any statute or public policy shall continue in full force and effect. Further, any court order striking any portion of this Agreement shall modify the stricken terms as narrowly as possible to give as much effect as possible to the intentions of the parties under this Agreement.

18. Indemnification. The Company shall indemnify and hold Executive harmless to the maximum extent permitted by Section 2-418 of the Maryland General Corporations Law or its successor statute, or if greater, by the Company's Bylaws, by any applicable resolution of the Board or by the terms providing the most extensive indemnification contained in any written agreement between the Company and any director or officer of the Company. The Company shall make Executive a named beneficiary under all director and officer liability policies maintained by the Company from time to time for the benefit of its directors and officers, entitled to all benefits provided thereunder to persons serving in a comparable role as an officer of the Company.

19. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original but all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument.

20. Successor Sections. References herein to sections or rules of the Code or the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, shall be deemed to include any successor sections or rules.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this Agreement to be executed by its duly authorized officer, and the Executive has hereunto signed this Agreement, as of the Effective Date.

REDWOOD TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ GEORGE E. BULL, III

GEORGE E. BULL, III
Chief Executive Officer

/s/ BRETT D. NICHOLAS

BRETT D. NICHOLAS

EXHIBIT C

RELEASE AGREEMENT

Except as otherwise set forth in this Release Agreement or in Sections 7 and 18 of the Amended and Restated Employment Agreement between Brett D. Nicholas and Redwood Trust, Inc., Brett D. Nicholas ("Executive") hereby generally and completely Company and its directors, officers, employees, shareholders, partners, agents, attorneys, predecessors, successors, parent and subsidiary entities, insurers, affiliates, and assigns from any and all claims, liabilities and obligations, both known and unknown, that arise out of or are in any way related to events, acts, conduct, or omissions occurring at any time prior to and including the date Executive signs this Release Agreement. The Company, its directors, officers, employees, shareholders, partners, agents, attorneys, predecessors, successors, parent and subsidiary entities, insurers, affiliates, and assigns, hereby releases Executive and his heirs, executors, successors and assigns, from any and all claims, liabilities and obligations, both known and unknown, that arise out of or are in any way related to events, acts, conduct, or omissions occurring at any time prior to and including the date the Company signs this Release Agreement. This general mutual release includes, but is not limited to: (A) all claims arising out of or in any way related to Executive's employment with the Company or the termination of that employment; (B) all claims related to Executive's compensation or benefits from the Company, including salary, bonuses, commissions, vacation pay, expense reimbursements, severance pay, fringe benefits, stock, stock options, or any other ownership interests in the Company; (C) all claims for breach of contract, wrongful termination, and breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing; (D) all tort claims, including claims for fraud, defamation, emotional distress, and discharge in violation of public policy; and (E) all federal, state, and local statutory claims, including claims for discrimination, harassment, retaliation, attorneys' fees, or other claims arising under the federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 (as amended), the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the federal Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 (as amended) ("ADEA"), the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (as amended), and the California Fair Employment and Housing Act (as amended); *provided, however*, that nothing in this paragraph shall be construed in any way to release the Company from its obligation to indemnify Executive pursuant to agreement, the Company's bylaws or binding resolutions, or applicable law.

Executive acknowledges that he is knowingly and voluntarily waiving and releasing any rights he may have under the ADEA, and that the consideration given under his Employment Agreement with the Company for the waiver and release in the preceding paragraph hereof is in addition to anything of value to which he was already entitled. Executive further acknowledges that he has been advised by this writing, as required by the ADEA, that: (A) this waiver and release does not apply to any rights or claims that may arise after the date Executive signs this Release Agreement; (B) Executive should consult with an attorney prior to signing this Release Agreement (although Executive may choose voluntarily not to do so); (C) Executive has twenty-one (21) days to consider this Release Agreement (although Executive may choose voluntarily to sign this Release Agreement earlier); (D) Executive has seven (7) days following the date that he signs this Release Agreement to revoke the Release Agreement by providing written notice to an officer of the Company; and (E) this Release Agreement shall not be effective until the date upon which the revocation period has expired, which shall be the eighth day after Executive signs this Release Agreement. Both Executive and the Company acknowledge that each has read and understands Section 1542 of the California Civil Code which reads as follows: **“A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor.”** Both Executive and the Company hereby expressly waive and relinquish all rights and benefits under that section and any law of any jurisdiction of similar effect with respect to each party’s release of any claims hereunder.

EXECUTIVE

Name: _____

Date: _____

Company

Name: _____

Date: _____

EXHIBIT D

RELEASE AGREEMENT

Except as otherwise set forth in this Release Agreement or in Sections 7 and 18 of the Amended and Restated Employment Agreement between Brett D. Nicholas and Redwood Trust, Inc., Brett Nicholas ("Executive") hereby generally and completely releases the Company and its directors, officers, employees, shareholders, partners, agents, attorneys, predecessors, successors, parent and subsidiary entities, insurers, affiliates, and assigns from any and all claims, liabilities and obligations, both known and unknown, that arise out of or are in any way related to events, acts, conduct, or omissions occurring at any time prior to and including the date Executive signs this Release Agreement. The Company, its directors, officers, employees, shareholders, partners, agents, attorneys, predecessors, successors, parent and subsidiary entities, insurers, affiliates, and assigns, hereby releases Executive and his heirs, executors, successors and assigns, from any and all claims, liabilities and obligations, both known and unknown, that arise out of or are in any way related to events, acts, conduct, or omissions occurring at any time prior to and including the date the Company signs this Release Agreement. This general mutual release includes, but is not limited to: (A) all claims arising out of or in any way related to Executive's employment with the Company or the termination of that employment; (B) all claims related to Executive's compensation or benefits from the Company, including salary, bonuses, commissions, vacation pay, expense reimbursements, severance pay, fringe benefits, stock, stock options, or any other ownership interests in the Company; (C) all claims for breach of contract, wrongful termination, and breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing; (D) all tort claims, including claims for fraud, defamation, emotional distress, and discharge in violation of public policy; and (E) all federal, state, and local statutory claims, including claims for discrimination, harassment, retaliation, attorneys' fees, or other claims arising under the federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 (as amended), the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the federal Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 (as amended) ("ADEA"), the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (as amended), and the California Fair Employment and Housing Act (as amended); *provided, however*, that nothing in this paragraph shall be construed in any way to release the Company from its obligation to indemnify Executive pursuant to agreement, the Company's bylaws or binding resolutions, or applicable law.

Executive acknowledges that he is knowingly and voluntarily waiving and releasing any rights he may have under the ADEA, and that the consideration given under his Employment Agreement with the Company for the waiver and release in the preceding paragraph hereof is in addition to anything of value to which he was already entitled. Executive further acknowledges that he has been advised by this writing, as required by the ADEA, that: (A) this waiver and release does not apply to any rights or claims that may arise after the date Executive signs this Release Agreement; (B) Executive should consult with an attorney prior to signing this Release Agreement (although Executive may choose voluntarily not to do so); (C) Executive has forty-five (45) days to consider this Release Agreement (although he may choose voluntarily to sign this Release Agreement earlier); (D) Executive has seven (7) days following the date that he signs this Release Agreement to revoke the Release Agreement by providing written notice to an officer of the Company; (E) this Release Agreement shall not be effective until the date upon which the revocation period has expired, which shall be the eighth day after Executive signs this Release Agreement; and (F) Executive has received with this Release Agreement a detailed list of the job titles and ages of all employees who were terminated in this group termination and the ages of all employees of the Company in the same job classification or organizational unit who were not terminated.

Both the Executive and the Company acknowledge that each has read and understands Section 1542 of the California Civil Code which reads as follows: **“A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor.”** Both the Executive and the Company hereby expressly waive and relinquish all rights and benefits under that section and any law of any jurisdiction of similar effect with respect to each party’s release of any claims hereunder.

EXECUTIVE

Name: _____

Date: _____

Company

Name: _____

Date: _____

AMENDED AND RESTATED EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This **Amended and Restated Employment Agreement** (“Agreement”), effective as of the 22nd day of February, 2005 (the “Effective Date”), and amended and restated as of the 31st day of March, 2009, is entered into by and between **Harold F. Zagunis** (the “Executive”) and **Redwood Trust, Inc.**, a Maryland corporation (the “Company”).

The Company desires to establish its right to the continued services of the Executive, in the capacity, on the terms and conditions, and subject to the rights of termination hereinafter set forth, and the Executive is willing to accept such employment in such capacity, on such terms and conditions, and subject to such rights of termination. As of the Effective Date, this Agreement wholly supersedes the Employment Agreement between the Executive and the Company that was effective as of March 13, 2000.

In consideration of the mutual agreements hereinafter set forth, the Executive and the Company have agreed and do hereby agree as follows:

1. Employment As Chief Risk Officer Of The Company. The Company does hereby employ the Executive as **Chief Risk Officer** of the Company, reporting to the President of the Company. The Executive does hereby accept and agree to such employment. The Executive’s duties as **Chief Risk Officer** shall be such executive and managerial duties as set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto. The President may, from time to time, in its sole discretion, modify, reassign and/or augment the Executive’s responsibilities, subject to approval by the Board of Directors of the Company (the “Board”). Any such modification, reassignment or augmentation of responsibilities shall be in writing. The Executive shall devote such time, energy and skill to the performance of his duties for the Company and for the benefit of the Company as may be necessary or required for the effective conduct and operation of the Company’s business. Furthermore, the Executive shall act only in good faith and exercise due diligence and care in the performance of his duties to the Company under this Agreement.

2. Term Of Agreement. The term of this Agreement (the “Term”) shall commence on the Effective Date and shall continue through December 31, 2007; *provided, however,* that (i) on January 1, 2008 and each succeeding January 1, the Term shall automatically be extended for one additional year unless, not later than three months prior to any such January 1, either party shall have given written notice to the other that it does not wish to extend the Term and (ii) such one year extensions of the Term shall not occur on and after the January 1 of the year in which the Executive will attain age sixty-five (65) but instead the Term shall be extended only until the date of the Executive’s sixty-fifth (65th) birthday.

3. Compensation.

(a) Base Salary. The Company shall pay the Executive, and the Executive agrees to accept from the Company, in payment for his services to the Company a base salary at the rate of \$400,000 per year (“Base Salary”), payable in equal biweekly installments or at such other time or times as the Executive and Company shall agree. Base Salary shall be subject to such adjustments as the Company and the Executive shall agree.

(b) Performance Bonus – Board of Directors’ Discretion. The Executive shall be eligible to receive an annual bonus. The Board in its discretion will determine whether such annual bonus will be paid, the amount of such bonus and its form of payment. The Executive’s target annual bonus amount is 75% of his Base Salary (the “Target Bonus”). If the Board determines in its discretion that the Executive’s performance meets or exceeds the criteria established by the Board for the award of a Target Bonus, the Board may award the Executive the Target Bonus or a higher amount. Likewise, if the Executive’s performance does not meet said criteria, the Board may award a lesser amount, or no bonus may be awarded. Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, the Executive’s eligibility to receive any bonus under this Section 3(b) shall be expressly conditioned on, among other things, the Executive remaining employed with the Company up through any designated distribution date set by the Board.

(c) Equity Incentive Awards. Executive shall be eligible to receive grants of equity-based long-term incentive awards, which may include options to purchase Company stock, Company restricted stock, contributions to Company’s deferred compensation plan, or other Awards. Such awards shall be determined in the discretion of the Board. In the event of a Change of Control (as defined in Section 2(f) of the Redwood Trust, Inc. Executive Deferred Compensation Plan) in which the surviving or acquiring corporation does not assume the Executive’s outstanding stock options and equity-related awards (including options and awards granted both before and after the Effective Date) or substitute similar options and equity-related awards, such options and equity-related awards shall immediately vest and become exercisable if the Executive’s service with the Company has not terminated before the effective date of the Change of Control; *provided, however,* that the foregoing provision shall only apply if the Company is not the surviving corporation or if shares of the Company’s common stock are converted into or exchanged for other securities or cash.

(d) Annual Review. The Executive’s performance shall be reviewed at least annually. The performance evaluations shall consider and assess the Executive’s performance of his duties and responsibilities, the timely accomplishment of existing performance objectives, his level of efficiency and overall effectiveness and/or other factors or criteria that the Company, in its sole discretion, may deem relevant. The frequency of performance evaluations may vary depending upon, among other things, length of service, past performance, changes in job duties or performance levels. The Board shall, at least annually, review the Executive’s entire compensation package to determine whether it continues to meet the Company’s compensation objectives. Such annual review will include a determination of (i) whether to increase the Base Salary in accordance with Section 3(a); (ii) the incentive performance bonus to be awarded in accordance with Section 3(b); and (iii) the amount and type of any equity awards granted in accordance with Section 3(c). Positive performance evaluations do not guarantee salary increases or incentive bonuses. Salary increases and incentive bonus awards are solely within the discretion of the Board and may depend upon many factors other than the Executive’s performance.

4. Fringe Benefits. The Executive shall be entitled to participate in any benefit programs adopted from time to time by the Company for the benefit of its senior executive employees, and the Executive shall be entitled to receive such other fringe benefits as may be granted to him from time to time by the Board.

(a) Benefit Plans. The Executive shall be entitled to participate in any benefit plans relating to stock options, stock purchases, pension, thrift, profit sharing, life insurance, medical coverage, education, deferred compensation, or other retirement or employee benefits available to other senior executive employees of the Company, subject to any restrictions (including waiting periods) specified in such plans and/or related individual agreements. The Company shall make commercially reasonable efforts to obtain medical and disability insurance, and such other forms of insurance as the Board shall from time to time determine, for its senior executive employees.

(b) Paid Time Off. The Executive shall be entitled to twenty-five (25) days of paid time off ("PTO") per calendar year consistent with the Executive's satisfactory performance of the duties set forth in Section 1 and in accordance with Company policies regarding PTO; *provided, however*, that the Executive may accrue up to a maximum of fifty (50) days of PTO. The Executive may use PTO for any reason, including vacation, sick time, personal time and family illness.

5. Business Expenses. The Company shall reimburse the Executive for any and all necessary, customary and usual expenses, properly receipted in accordance with Company policies, incurred by Executive on behalf of the Company.

6. Termination Of Executive's Employment.

(a) Death. If the Executive dies while employed by the Company, his employment shall immediately terminate. The Company's obligation to pay the Executive's Base Salary shall cease as of the date of the Executive's death, and any unpaid Base Salary shall be paid to the Executive's estate. In addition, within fifteen (15) days of the Executive's death, the Company shall pay to the Executive's estate an incentive performance bonus based on Executive's Target Bonus then in effect, prorated for the number of days of employment completed by the Executive during the year of his death. Executive's beneficiaries or his estate shall receive benefits in accordance with the Company's retirement, insurance and other applicable programs and plans then in effect. All stock options or other equity-related awards, including restricted stock awards, shall vest in full and, in the case of stock options, shall be exercisable for such period as set forth in the applicable award agreement by which such awards are evidenced.

(b) Disability. If, as a result of the Executive's incapacity due to physical or mental illness ("Disability"), Executive shall have been absent from the full-time performance of his duties with the Company for six (6) consecutive months, and, within thirty (30) days after written notice is provided to him by the Company, he shall not have returned to the full-time performance of his duties, the Executive's employment under this Agreement may be terminated by the Company for Disability. During any period prior to such termination during which the Executive is absent from the full-time performance of his duties with the Company due to Disability, the Company shall continue to pay the Executive his Base Salary at the rate in effect at the commencement of such period of Disability. Subsequent to such termination, the Executive's benefits shall be determined under the Company's retirement, insurance and other compensation programs then in effect in accordance with the terms of such programs. In addition, within fifteen (15) days of such termination, the Company shall pay to the Executive an incentive performance bonus based on Executive's Target Bonus then in effect, prorated for the number of days of employment completed by the Executive during the year in which his employment terminated. The Executive, the Executive's beneficiaries or his estate shall receive benefits in accordance with the Company's retirement, insurance and other applicable programs and plans then in effect. All stock options or other equity-related awards, including restricted stock awards, shall vest in full and, in the case of stock options, shall be exercisable for such period as set forth in the applicable award agreement by which such awards are evidenced.

(c) Termination By The Company For Cause. The Company may terminate the Executive's employment under this Agreement for Cause, at any time prior to expiration of the Term of the Agreement. For purposes of this Agreement, "Cause" shall mean (i) the Executive's material failure to substantially perform the reasonable and lawful duties of his position for the Company, which failure shall continue for thirty (30) days after notice thereof by the Company to the Executive; (ii) acts or omissions constituting gross negligence, recklessness or willful misconduct on the part of the Executive in respect of the performance of his duties hereunder, his fiduciary obligations or otherwise relating to the business of the Company; (iii) the habitual or repeated neglect of his duties by Executive; (iv) the Executive's conviction of a felony; (v) theft or embezzlement, or attempted theft or embezzlement, of money or tangible or intangible assets or property of the Company or its employees, customers, clients, or others having business relations with the Company; (vi) any act of moral turpitude by Executive injurious to the interest, property, operations, business or reputation of the Company; or (vii) unauthorized use or disclosure of trade secrets or confidential or proprietary information pertaining to Company business. However, the termination of Executive's employment shall not be deemed to be for Cause unless and until there has been delivered to Executive a copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Board (after reasonable notice is provided to Executive and Executive is given an opportunity to be heard by the Board), finding that, in the good faith opinion of the Board, Executive's conduct met the standard for termination for Cause.

In the event of a termination under this Section 6(c), the Company will pay only the portion of Base Salary or previously awarded bonus unpaid as of the termination date. Fringe benefits which have accrued and/or vested on the termination date will continue in effect according to their terms.

(d) Termination By The Company Without Cause. The Company may terminate Executive's employment hereunder at any time without Cause upon 30 days written notice to Executive or pay in lieu thereof. In the event of a termination under this Section 6(d), the Executive shall be entitled to the benefits set forth in Section 7.

(e) Termination By The Executive For Good Reason. The Executive shall have the right to terminate this Agreement for Good Reason. For purposes of this Agreement, "Good Reason" shall mean the occurrence, without the Executive's express written consent, of any one or more of the following events:

(i) A significant reduction in Executive's responsibilities or title;

(ii) A reduction in the Executive's Base Salary or a material reduction by the Company in the value of the Executive's total compensation package (salary, bonus opportunity, equity incentive award opportunity and benefits) if such a reduction is not made in proportion to an across-the-board reduction for all senior executives of the Company and a Change of Control (as defined in Section 2(f) of the Redwood Trust, Inc. Executive Deferred Compensation Plan) has not occurred;

(iii) The relocation of the Executive's principal Company office to a location more than twenty-five (25) miles from its location as of the Effective Date, except for required travel on the Company's business to the extent necessary to fulfill the Executive's obligations under Section 1;

(iv) A failure at any time to renew this Agreement for successive one-year periods pursuant to Section 2;

(v) The complete liquidation of the Company; or

(vi) In the event of a merger, consolidation, transfer, or closing of a sale of all or substantially all the assets of the Company with or to any other individual or entity, the failure of the Company's successor to affirmatively adopt this Agreement or to otherwise comply with its obligations pursuant to Section 13 below.

In the event of a termination under this Section 6(e), the Executive shall be entitled to the benefits set forth in Section 7.

(f) Termination By The Executive Without Good Reason. The Executive may at any time during the Term terminate his employment hereunder for any reason or no reason by giving the Company notice in writing not less than one hundred twenty (120) days in advance of such termination. The Executive shall have no further obligations to the Company after the effective date of termination, as set forth in the notice. In the event of a termination by the Executive under this Section 6(f), the Company will pay only the portion of Base Salary or previously awarded bonus unpaid as of the termination date. Fringe benefits which have accrued and/or vested on the termination date will continue in effect according to their terms.

7. COMPENSATION UPON TERMINATION BY THE COMPANY WITHOUT CAUSE OR BY THE EXECUTIVE FOR GOOD REASON.

(a) If the Executive's employment shall be terminated by the Company without Cause or by the Executive for Good Reason, the Executive shall be entitled to the following benefits:

(i) **Payment of Unpaid Base Salary.** The Company shall immediately pay the Executive any portion of the Executive's Base Salary through the date of termination or previously awarded bonus not paid prior to the termination date.

(ii) **Severance Payment.** The Company shall provide the Executive the following: (x) an amount equal to 1.75 times Executive's Annual Base Salary as in effect immediately prior to his termination; (y) an amount equal to 0.75 times the Executive's Annual Base Salary in effect immediately prior to his termination prorated for the number of days of employment completed by the Executive during the year in which his employment is terminated; and (z) with respect to options granted on or before December 31, 2002, the sum of the Dividend Equivalent Rights payments (as defined in the applicable award agreement by which any such Dividend Equivalent Rights were granted) that would have been payable to Executive over the one (1) year period following his termination had he remained employed (taking into consideration the term of options and Dividend Equivalent Rights and assuming that the options are fully vested and remain unexercised). Payments pursuant to this Section with respect to options granted after December 31, 2002 will be calculated in the same manner, unless such options provide a different formula for Dividend Equivalent Rights payments if Executive's employment is terminated by the Company without Cause or by the Executive for Good Reason, in which case the Dividend Equivalent Rights payments shall be governed by the terms of such options. The quarterly dividend per share rate that shall be used in this calculation is the higher of (I) one-fourth (25%) of the sum of common stock dividends declared per common share in the twelve (12) months prior to the termination date, and (II) one-twelfth (8.333%) of the sum of common stock dividends declared per common share in the thirty-six (36) months prior to the termination date.

(iii) **Stock Options and Other Equity-Related Awards.** All stock options and other equity-related awards, including restricted stock awards, held by the Executive as of the termination date, shall vest in full and, in the case of stock options, shall be exercisable for such period as set forth in the applicable award agreements by which such awards are evidenced.

(iv) **Continuation of Fringe Benefits.** For the twelve (12) month period following the termination of the Executive's employment, the Company shall continue to provide the Executive with all life insurance, disability insurance and medical coverage fringe benefits set forth in Section 4 as if the Executive's employment under the Agreement had not been terminated; *provided, however*, that such life insurance, disability insurance and medical coverage shall cease as of the date the Executive receives such coverage from a subsequent employer. No provision of this Agreement will affect the continuation coverage rules under Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 ("COBRA"), except that the Company's payment, if any, of applicable insurance premiums will be credited as payment by the Executive for purposes of the Executive's payment required under COBRA. Therefore, the period during which the Executive may elect to continue the Company's medical plan coverage at the Executive's own expense under COBRA, the length of time during which COBRA coverage will be made available to the Executive, and all other rights and obligations of the Executive under COBRA (except the obligation to pay insurance premiums that the Company pays) will be applied in the same manner that such rules would apply in the absence of this Agreement. For purposes of this Section 7(a)(iv), (A) references to COBRA shall be deemed to refer also to analogous provisions of state law and (B) any applicable insurance premiums that are paid by the Company shall not include any amounts payable by the Executive under an Internal Revenue Code Section 125 health care reimbursement plan, which amounts, if any, are the sole responsibility of the Executive.

(v) Excise Tax Gross-Up. In the event that the Executive becomes entitled to the payments and benefits provided under the provisions of this Section 7 (“Payments and Benefits”), and if any of the Payments and Benefits will be subject to any excise tax imposed under Section 4999 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time (the “Code”), or successor sections thereto (“Excise Tax”), the Company shall pay to or for the benefit of the Executive an additional amount (the “Gross-Up Payment”) such that the net amount retained by the Executive, after deduction of any Excise Tax on the Payments and Benefits and any federal, state and local income tax and Excise Tax upon the payments provided for under this Section 7(a)(v), shall be equal to the amount of the Payments and Benefits. For purposes of determining whether any of the Payments and Benefits will be subject to the Excise Tax and the amount of such Excise Tax, (i) any other payments or benefits received or to be received by the Executive that are contingent on a transaction described in Section 280G(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Code or on an event, including (without limitation) a termination of the Executive’s employment that is materially related to such a transaction (whether pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or any other plan, arrangement or agreement with the Company, any person whose actions result in such a transaction, or any person affiliated with the Company or such person) shall be treated as “parachute payments” within the meaning of Section 280G(b)(2) of the Code, and all “excess parachute payments” within the meaning of Section 280G(b)(1) of the Code shall be treated as subject to the Excise Tax, unless, in the opinion of tax counsel selected by the Company and reasonably acceptable to the Executive, such other payments or benefits (in whole or in part) do not constitute parachute payments, including by reason of Section 280G(b)(4)(A) of the Code, or such excess parachute payments (in whole or in part) represent reasonable compensation for services actually rendered, within the meaning of Section 280G(b)(4)(B) of the Code, in excess of the Base Amount (as defined in Section 280G(b)(3) of the Code) allocable to such reasonable compensation, or are otherwise not subject to the Excise Tax; (ii) the amount of the Payments and Benefits which shall be treated as subject to the Excise Tax shall be equal to the lesser of (A) the total amount of the Payments and Benefits or (B) the amount of excess parachute payments within the meaning of Section 280G(b)(1) of the Code (after applying clause (i), above); and (iii) the value of any non-cash benefits or any deferred payment or benefit shall be determined by the Company’s independent auditors in accordance with the principles of Sections 280G(d)(3) and (4) of the Code. For purposes of determining the amount of the Gross-Up Payment, the Executive shall be deemed to pay federal income taxes at the highest marginal rate of federal income taxation in the calendar year in which the Gross-Up Payment is to be made and state and local income taxes at the highest marginal rate of taxation in the state and locality of the Executive’s residence on the termination date of employment, net of the maximum reduction in federal income taxes which could be obtained from deduction of such state and local taxes based on the marginal rate referenced above. In the event that the Excise Tax is subsequently determined to be less than the amount taken into account hereunder at the termination date, the Executive shall repay to the Company, at the time that the amount of such reduction in Excise Tax is finally determined, the portion of the Gross-Up Payment attributable to such reduction (plus that portion of the Gross-Up Payment attributable to the Excise Tax and federal, state and local income tax imposed on the Gross-Up Payment being repaid by the Executive to the extent that such repayment results in a reduction in Excise Tax and/or a federal, state or local income tax deduction) plus interest on the amount of such repayment at the rate provided in Section 1274(b)(2) (B) of the Code. In the event that the Excise Tax is determined to exceed the amount taken into account hereunder at the time of the termination of the Executive’s employment (including by reason of any payment, the existence or amount of which cannot be determined at the time of the Gross-Up Payment), the Company shall make an additional Gross-Up Payment in respect of such excess (plus any interest, penalties or additions payable by the Executive with respect to such excess, but only to the extent that such interest, penalties or additions would not have been reduced by prompt payment by the Executive to the appropriate tax authority of the Gross-Up Payments previously received) at the time that the amount of such excess is finally determined. The Executive and the Company shall each reasonably cooperate with the other in connection with any administrative or judicial proceedings concerning the existence or amount of liability for Excise Tax with respect to the Payments and Benefits.

(b) No Mitigation Required; No Other Entitlement To Benefits Under Agreement. The Executive shall not be required in any way to mitigate the amount of any payment provided for in this Section 7, including, without limitation, by seeking other employment, nor shall the amount of any payment provided for in this Section 7 be reduced by any compensation earned by the Executive as the result of employment with another employer after the termination date of employment, or otherwise. Except as set forth in this Section 7, following a termination governed by this Section 7, the Executive shall not be entitled to any other compensation or benefits set forth in this Agreement, except as may be separately negotiated by the parties and approved the Board in writing in conjunction with the termination of Executive's employment under this Section 7.

(c) Release Agreement. As a condition of receiving any of the payments and benefits set forth in this Section 7, the Executive shall be required to execute a mutual release agreement in the form attached hereto as Exhibit C or Exhibit D, as appropriate, and such release agreement must have become effective in accordance with its terms. The Company, in its sole discretion, may modify the term of the required release agreement to comply with applicable state law and may incorporate the required release agreement into a termination agreement or other agreement with the Executive.

(d) Timing of Severance Payments. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, any and all severance payments provided under this Agreement in connection with the termination of the employment of the Executive shall be payable in an amount equal to 75% of such payments on the date that is six months after the termination date, and the remaining 25% shall be payable in six equal monthly installments beginning on the date that is seven months after the termination date and continuing on the same date of each of the five months thereafter.

(e) Timing of Bonus Payments. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, any and all bonus payments provided under the Agreement in connection with the termination of the employment of the Executive shall be payable on the date that is six months after the termination date.

8. Disputes Relating To Executive's Termination Of Employment For Good Reason. If the Executive resigns his employment with the Company alleging in good faith as the basis for such resignation "Good Reason" as defined in Section 6(e), and if the Company then disputes the Executive's right to the payment of benefits under Section 7, the Company shall continue to pay the Executive the full compensation (including, without limitation, his Base Salary) in effect at the date the Executive provided written notice of such resignation, and the Company shall continue the Executive as a participant in all compensation, benefit and insurance plans in which the Executive was then a participant, until the earlier of the expiration of the Term or the date the dispute is finally resolved, either by mutual written agreement of the parties or by application of the provisions of Section 11. For the purposes of this Section 8, the Company shall bear the burden of proving that the grounds for the Executive's resignation do not fall within the scope of Section 6(e), and there shall be a rebuttable presumption that the Executive alleged such grounds in good faith.

9. Noncompetition Provisions.

(a) Noncompetition. The Executive agrees that during the Term prior to any termination of his employment hereunder, he will not, directly or indirectly, without the prior written consent of a majority of the non-employee members of the Board, manage, operate, join, control, participate in, or be connected as a stockholder (other than as a holder of shares publicly traded on a stock exchange or the NASDAQ National Market System), partner, or other equity holder with, or as an officer, director or employee of, any real estate investment organization whose business strategy is competitive with that of the Company, as determined by a majority of the non-employee members of the Board. It is further expressly agreed that the Company will or would suffer irreparable injury if the Executive were to compete with the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate of the Company in violation of this Agreement and that the Company would by reason of such competition be entitled to injunctive relief in a court of appropriate jurisdiction, and the Executive further consents and stipulates to the entry of such injunctive relief in such a court prohibiting the Executive from competing with the Company or any subsidiary or affiliate of the Company, in the areas of business set forth above, in violation of this Agreement.

(b) Duty To Avoid Conflict Of Interest. During his employment by the Company, Executive agrees not to engage or participate in, directly or indirectly, any activities in conflict with the best interests of the Company. The Company shall be the final decision-maker with regard to any conflict of interest issue.

(c) Right To Company Materials. The Executive agrees that all styles, designs, lists, materials, books, files, reports, correspondence, records, and other documents ("Company Materials") used, prepared, or made available to the Executive shall be and shall remain the property of the Company. Upon the termination of employment or the expiration of this Agreement, the Executive shall immediately return to the Company all Company Materials, and the Executive shall not make or retain any copies thereof.

(d) Nonsolicitation. The Executive promises and agrees that he will not directly or indirectly solicit any of the Company's employees to work for any competing real estate investment organization as determined under Section 9(a) for a period of one (1) year following the occurrence of any event entitling the Executive to payments and benefits, provided the Company makes all such payments when due according to the provisions herein.

(e) Confidential And Proprietary Information.

(1) It is hereby acknowledged that Executive has and shall gain knowledge of trade secrets and confidential information owned by or related to the Company and/or its affiliates, including but not limited to the following: (i) the names, lists, buying habits and practices of customers, clients or vendors, (ii) marketing and related information, (iii) relationships between them and the persons and entities with whom - or with which the Company has contracted, (iv) with products, designs, software, developments, improvements and methods of operation, (v) financial condition, profit performance and financial requirements, (vi) the compensation paid to employees, (vii) business plans and the information contained therein, and (viii) all other confidential information of, about or concerning the Company, the manner of operation of the Company and other confidential data of any kind, nature or description relating to the Company (collectively, the "Confidential Information"). Confidential Information does not include information which (ix) is or becomes generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by Executive; or (x) becomes available to Executive on a non-confidential basis after the termination or expiration of Executive's obligations under this Agreement from a source other than the Company, provided that such source is not bound by a confidentiality agreement with or other contractual, legal or fiduciary obligation of confidentiality to the Company or any other party with respect to such information; or (xi) is independently developed after the termination or expiration of Executive's obligations under this agreement without reference to the Confidential Information, provided such independent development can reasonably be proven by Executive by written records.

(2) The parties hereby acknowledge that the Confidential Information constitutes important, unique, material and confidential trade secrets which affect the successful activities of the Company, and constitute a substantial part of the assets and goodwill of the Company. In view of the foregoing, Executive agrees that he will not at any time whether during or after the term of this Agreement, except as required in the course of Executive's employment by Company and at its direction and for its sole benefit, in any fashion, form or manner, directly or indirectly (i) use or divulge, disclose, communicate or provide or permit access to any person, firm, partnership, corporation or other entity, any Confidential Information of any kind, nature or description, or (ii) remove from Company's premises any notes or records relating thereto, or copies or facsimiles thereof (whether made by electronic, electrical, magnetic, optical, laser, acoustic or other means).

(3) Promptly upon the request of Company, and immediately upon the termination of Executive's employment, Executive shall not transfer to any third person and shall deliver to Company all Confidential Information, and other property belonging to the Company, including all copies thereof, in the possession or under the control of the Executive.

(4) Executive represents that the performance of all the terms of this Agreement will not conflict with, and will not breach, any other invention assignment agreement, confidentiality agreement, employment agreement or non-competition agreement to which Executive is or has been a party. To the extent that Executive has confidential information or materials of any former employer, Executive acknowledges that the Company has directed Executive to not disclose such confidential information or materials to the Company or any of its employees, and that the Company prohibits Executive from using said confidential information or materials in any work that Executive may perform for the Company. Executive agrees that Executive will not bring with Executive to the Company, and will not use or disclose any confidential, proprietary information, or trade secrets acquired by Executive prior to his employment with the Company. Executive will not disclose to the Company or any of its employees, or induce the Company or any of its employees to use, any confidential or proprietary information or material belonging to any previous employers or others, nor will Executive bring to the Company or use in connection with Executive's work for the Company copies of any software, computer files, or any other copyrighted or trademarked materials except those owned by or licensed to the Company. Executive represents that he is not a party to any other agreement that will interfere with his full compliance with this Agreement. Executive further agrees not to enter into any agreement, whether written or oral, in conflict with the provisions of this Agreement.

(f) **Inventions.** Any and all inventions, discoveries or improvements that Executive has conceived or made or may conceive or make during the period of employment relating to or in any way pertaining to or connected with the systems, products, computer programs, software, apparatus or methods employed, manufactured or constructed by the Company or to systems, products, apparatus or methods with respect to which the Company engages in, requests or anticipates research or development, shall be promptly and fully disclosed and described by Executive to the Company and shall be the sole and exclusive property of the Company, and Executive shall assign, and hereby does assign to the Company Executive's entire right, title and interest in and to all such inventions, discoveries or improvements as well as any modifications or improvements thereto that may be made. The parties agree that any inventions, discoveries or ideas that Executive has created or possesses prior to his employment by the Company are specified in Exhibit B attached to this Agreement and will not be considered to be the property of the Company.

The obligations outlined in this Section 9(f), except for the requirements as to disclosure, do not apply to any invention that qualifies fully under California Labor Code Section 2870 or to any rights Executive may have acquired in connection with an invention, discovery or improvement that was developed entirely on Executive's own time for which no equipment, supplies, facilities or trade secret information of the Company was used and (a) that does not relate directly or indirectly to the business of the Company or to the Company's actual or demonstrable anticipated research or development, or (b) that does not result from any work performed by Executive for the Company.

(g) Maryland Law. The Executive agrees, in accordance with Maryland law, to first offer to the Company corporate opportunities learned of solely as a result of his service as an officer of the Company.

(h) Breach. It is expressly agreed that each breach of this Section 9 is a distinct and material breach of this Agreement and that solely a monetary remedy would be inadequate, impracticable and extremely difficult to prove, and that each such breach would cause the Company irreparable harm. It is further agreed that, in addition to any and all remedies available at law or equity (including money damages), either party shall be entitled to temporary and permanent injunctive relief to enforce the provisions of this Section, without the necessity of proving actual damages. It is further agreed that either party shall be entitled to seek such equitable relief in any forum, including a court of law, notwithstanding the provisions of Section 11. Either party may pursue any of the remedies described herein concurrently or consecutively in any order as to any such breach or violation, and the pursuit of one of such remedies at any time will not be deemed an election of remedies or waiver of the right to pursue any of the other such remedies. Any breach of this Section 9 shall immediately terminate any obligations by the Company to provide Executive with severance and continued benefits pursuant to Section 6 or 7 of this Agreement.

(i) Unenforceability. Should any portion of this Section 9 be deemed unenforceable because of its scope, duration or effect, and only in such event, then the parties expressly consent and agree to such limitation on scope, duration or effect as may be finally adjudicated as enforceable, to give this Section 9 its maximum permissible scope, duration and effect

12. Termination Of Prior Agreements. This Agreement terminates and supersedes any and all prior agreements and understandings between the parties with respect to employment or with respect to the compensation of the Executive by the Company.

13. Assignment Successors. This Agreement is personal in its nature, and neither of the parties hereto shall, without the consent of the other, assign or transfer this Agreement or any rights or obligations hereunder; *provided, however*, that, in the event of the merger, consolidation, transfer, or sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company with or to any other individual or entity, this Agreement shall, subject to the provisions hereof, be binding upon and inure to the benefit of such successor and such successor shall discharge and perform all the promises, covenants, duties, and obligations of the Company hereunder.

14. Governing Law. This Agreement and the legal relations thus created between the parties hereto shall be governed by and construed under and in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

15. Entire Agreement; Headings. This Agreement embodies the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof, excluding the plans and programs under which compensation and benefits are provided pursuant to Sections 3 and 4 hereof to the extent such plans and programs are not inconsistent with this Agreement, and may be modified only in writing. Section headings in this Agreement are included herein for convenience of reference only and shall not constitute a part of this Agreement for any other purpose.

16. Waiver; Modification. Failure to insist upon strict compliance with any of the terms, covenants, or conditions hereof shall not be deemed a waiver of such term, covenant, or condition, nor shall any waiver or relinquishment of, or failure to insist upon strict compliance with, any right or power hereunder at any one or more times be deemed a waiver or relinquishment of such right or power at any other time or times. This Agreement shall not be modified in any respect except by a writing executed by each party hereto.

17. Severability. In the event that a court of competent jurisdiction determines that any portion of this Agreement is in violation of any statute or public policy, only the portions of this Agreement that violate such statute or public policy shall be stricken. All portions of this Agreement that do not violate any statute or public policy shall continue in full force and effect. Further, any court order striking any portion of this Agreement shall modify the stricken terms as narrowly as possible to give as much effect as possible to the intentions of the parties under this Agreement.

18. Indemnification. The Company shall indemnify and hold Executive harmless to the maximum extent permitted by Section 2-418 of the Maryland General Corporations Law or its successor statute, or if greater, by the Company's Bylaws, by any applicable resolution of the Board or by the terms providing the most extensive indemnification contained in any written agreement between the Company and any director or officer of the Company. The Company shall make Executive a named beneficiary under all director and officer liability policies maintained by the Company from time to time for the benefit of its directors and officers, entitled to all benefits provided thereunder to persons serving in a comparable role as an officer of the Company.

19. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original but all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument.

20. Successor Sections. References herein to sections or rules of the Code or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, shall be deemed to include any successor sections or rules.

In Witness Whereof, the Company has caused this Agreement to be executed by its duly authorized officer, and the Executive has hereunto signed this Agreement, as of the Effective Date.

REDWOOD TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ MARTIN S. HUGHES

MARTIN S. HUGHES
President

/s/ HAROLD F. ZAGUNIS

HAROLD F. ZAGUNIS

Exhibit C

RELEASE AGREEMENT

Except as otherwise set forth in this Release Agreement or in Sections 7 and 18 of the Amended and Restated Employment Agreement between Harold F. Zagunis and Redwood Trust, Inc., Harold F. Zagunis ("Executive") hereby generally and completely releases the Company and its directors, officers, employees, shareholders, partners, agents, attorneys, predecessors, successors, parent and subsidiary entities, insurers, affiliates, and assigns from any and all claims, liabilities and obligations, both known and unknown, that arise out of or are in any way related to events, acts, conduct, or omissions occurring at any time prior to and including the date Executive signs this Release Agreement. The Company, its directors, officers, employees, shareholders, partners, agents, attorneys, predecessors, successors, parent and subsidiary entities, insurers, affiliates, and assigns, hereby releases Executive and his heirs, executors, successors and assigns, from any and all claims, liabilities and obligations, both known and unknown, that arise out of or are in any way related to events, acts, conduct, or omissions occurring at any time prior to and including the date the Company signs this Release Agreement. This general mutual release includes, but is not limited to: (A) all claims arising out of or in any way related to Executive's employment with the Company or the termination of that employment; (B) all claims related to Executive's compensation or benefits from the Company, including salary, bonuses, commissions, vacation pay, expense reimbursements, severance pay, fringe benefits, stock, stock options, or any other ownership interests in the Company; (C) all claims for breach of contract, wrongful termination, and breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing; (D) all tort claims, including claims for fraud, defamation, emotional distress, and discharge in violation of public policy; and (E) all federal, state, and local statutory claims, including claims for discrimination, harassment, retaliation, attorneys' fees, or other claims arising under the federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 (as amended), the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the federal Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 (as amended) ("ADEA"), the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (as amended), and the California Fair Employment and Housing Act (as amended); *provided, however*, that nothing in this paragraph shall be construed in any way to release the Company from its obligation to indemnify Executive pursuant to agreement, the Company's bylaws or binding resolutions, or applicable law.

Executive acknowledges that he is knowingly and voluntarily waiving and releasing any rights he may have under the ADEA, and that the consideration given under his Employment Agreement with the Company for the waiver and release in the preceding paragraph hereof is in addition to anything of value to which he was already entitled. Executive further acknowledges that he has been advised by this writing, as required by the ADEA, that: (A) this waiver and release does not apply to any rights or claims that may arise after the date Executive signs this Release Agreement; (B) Executive should consult with an attorney prior to signing this Release Agreement (although Executive may choose voluntarily not to do so); (C) Executive has twenty-one (21) days to consider this Release Agreement (although Executive may choose voluntarily to sign this Release Agreement earlier); (D) Executive has seven (7) days following the date that he signs this Release Agreement to revoke the Release Agreement by providing written notice to an officer of the Company; and (E) this Release Agreement shall not be effective until the date upon which the revocation period has expired, which shall be the eighth day after Executive signs this Release Agreement.

Both Executive and the Company acknowledge that each has read and understands Section 1542 of the California Civil Code which reads as follows: **“A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor.”** Both Executive and the Company hereby expressly waive and relinquish all rights and benefits under that section and any law of any jurisdiction of similar effect with respect to each party’s release of any claims hereunder.

EXECUTIVE

Name: _____

Date: _____

Company

Name: _____

Date: _____

Exhibit D

RELEASE AGREEMENT

Except as otherwise set forth in this Release Agreement or in Sections 7 and 18 of the Amended and Restated Employment Agreement between Harold F. Zagunis and Redwood Trust, Inc., Harold F. Zagunis ("Executive") hereby generally and completely releases the Company and its directors, officers, employees, shareholders, partners, agents, attorneys, predecessors, successors, parent and subsidiary entities, insurers, affiliates, and assigns from any and all claims, liabilities and obligations, both known and unknown, that arise out of or are in any way related to events, acts, conduct, or omissions occurring at any time prior to and including the date Executive signs this Release Agreement. The Company, its directors, officers, employees, shareholders, partners, agents, attorneys, predecessors, successors, parent and subsidiary entities, insurers, affiliates, and assigns, hereby releases Executive and his heirs, executors, successors and assigns, from any and all claims, liabilities and obligations, both known and unknown, that arise out of or are in any way related to events, acts, conduct, or omissions occurring at any time prior to and including the date the Company signs this Release Agreement. This general mutual release includes, but is not limited to: (A) all claims arising out of or in any way related to Executive's employment with the Company or the termination of that employment; (B) all claims related to Executive's compensation or benefits from the Company, including salary, bonuses, commissions, vacation pay, expense reimbursements, severance pay, fringe benefits, stock, stock options, or any other ownership interests in the Company; (C) all claims for breach of contract, wrongful termination, and breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing; (D) all tort claims, including claims for fraud, defamation, emotional distress, and discharge in violation of public policy; and (E) all federal, state, and local statutory claims, including claims for discrimination, harassment, retaliation, attorneys' fees, or other claims arising under the federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 (as amended), the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the federal Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 (as amended) ("ADEA"), the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (as amended), and the California Fair Employment and Housing Act (as amended); *provided, however*, that nothing in this paragraph shall be construed in any way to release the Company from its obligation to indemnify Executive pursuant to agreement, the Company's bylaws or binding resolutions, or applicable law.

Executive acknowledges that he is knowingly and voluntarily waiving and releasing any rights he may have under the ADEA, and that the consideration given under his Employment Agreement with the Company for the waiver and release in the preceding paragraph hereof is in addition to anything of value to which he was already entitled. Executive further acknowledges that he has been advised by this writing, as required by the ADEA, that: (A) this waiver and release does not apply to any rights or claims that may arise after the date Executive signs this Release Agreement; (B) Executive should consult with an attorney prior to signing this Release Agreement (although Executive may choose voluntarily not to do so); (C) Executive has forty-five (45) days to consider this Release Agreement (although he may choose voluntarily to sign this Release Agreement earlier); (D) Executive has seven (7) days following the date that he signs this Release Agreement to revoke the Release Agreement by providing written notice to an officer of the Company; (E) this Release Agreement shall not be effective until the date upon which the revocation period has expired, which shall be the eighth day after Executive signs this Release Agreement; and (F) Executive has received with this Release Agreement a detailed list of the job titles and ages of all employees who were terminated in this group termination and the ages of all employees of the Company in the same job classification or organizational unit who were not terminated.

Both the Executive and the Company acknowledge that each has read and understands Section 1542 of the California Civil Code which reads as follows: **"A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor."** Both the Executive and the Company hereby expressly waive and relinquish all rights and benefits under that section and any law of any jurisdiction of similar effect with respect to each party's release of any claims hereunder.

EXECUTIVE

Name: _____

Date: _____

Company

Name: _____

Date: _____

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF
THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, George E. Bull, III certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Redwood Trust, Inc.
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) and internal control over the financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and we have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.
5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 4, 2009

/s/ George E. Bull, III

George

E. Bull, III

Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer

**CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF
THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

I, Martin S. Hughes, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Redwood Trust, Inc.
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) and internal control over the financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and we have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.
5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 4, 2009

/s/ Martin S. Hughes

Martin

S. Hughes
President, Co-Chief Operating Officer,
and Chief Financial Officer

CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, the undersigned officer of Redwood Trust, Inc. (the "Registrant") hereby certifies that the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended March 31, 2009 (the "Quarterly Report") fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d), as applicable, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and that the information contained in the Quarterly Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Registrant.

Date: May 4, 2009

/s/ George E. Bull, III

George

E. Bull, III

Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer

The foregoing certification is being furnished solely pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350 and is not being filed as part of the Quarterly Report or as a separate disclosure document.

CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, the undersigned officer of Redwood Trust, Inc. (the "Registrant") hereby certifies that the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended March 31, 2009 (the "Quarterly Report") fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d), as applicable, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and that the information contained in the Quarterly Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Registrant.

Date: May 4, 2009

/s/ Martin S. Hughes

Martin

S. Hughes
President, Co-Chief Operating Officer,
and Chief Financial Officer

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