## FORM 4

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| (Print or Ty  | pe Response   | s)   |   |   |   |   |   |  |  |  |   |   |   |                                 |
|---|---------------|--|---|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|---|---|---|---------------------------------|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MCFARLAND STUART A                            |               |  |   | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEWCASTLE INVESTMENT CORP [NCT] |   |   |   |  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner |  |   |   |   |                                 |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O FORTRESS INVESTMENT GROUP, 1345 AVE OF THE AMERICAS 46TH FL |               |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/03/2010 |   |   |   | Office  | er (give title belo                      | ow)  | Other (specify l   | pelow)  |   |   |                                 |
| (Street) NEW YORK, NY 10105   |               |  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)        |   |   |   | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting PersonForm filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |  |  |   |   |   |                                 |
| (City) (State) (Zip)  |               |  | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqu                    |   |   |   |   | ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |  |  |   |   |   |                                 |
| (Instr. 3) Date   |               | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |   | (Instr. 8)  |   | 4. Securities Acquire<br>(A) or Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |   | of (D)                                   | Beneficia<br>Reported  | nt of Securities<br>ally Owned Following<br>Transaction(s) |   | Ownership<br>Form:  | Beneficial  |                                 |
|   |               |  |   | (Month/Day/Year   | Code  | V   | Amoun   | (A) or (D)                               | Price  | (Instr. 3 a  | nd 4)   |   | Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4)      | Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)         |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share 06/03/2010                                     |               |  | A <sup>(1)</sup>  |   | 5,191   | A   | \$ 0  | 27,780                                   |  | D  |   |   |   |                                 |
| Reminder:   | Report on a s | separate line for                          | each class of secur   |   |   | Pers<br>cont<br>the f   | ons whe<br>ained in<br>orm dis  | o respor<br>this for<br>plays a          | m are<br>curre   | e not requ<br>ntly valid                                   | OMB con   | formation<br>spond unle<br>trol numbe   | ss  | 1474 (9-02)                     |
|   |               |  |   | Derivative Securit<br>e.g., puts, calls, w                                  |   |   |   |  |  | lly Owned  |   |   |   |                                 |
| Derivative Conversion   |               | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Y     | Execution Da<br>Year) any                                   | Code<br>(Instr. 8)  | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | and I<br>(Mor   | 6. Date Exercisable<br>and Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)  |  | Ame<br>Und<br>Secu   | itle and ount of derlying urities tr. 3 and                | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s<br>(Instr. 4) | Owners Form of Derivati Security Direct ( or Indire | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|   |               |  |   | Code V  | (A) (D)   |   |   | Expiratior<br>Date                       | 1 Title  | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares                     |   |   |   |                                 |

### **Reporting Owners**

|   | Relationships |              |         |       |  |
|---|---------------|--------------|---------|-------|--|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Director      | 10%<br>Owner | Officer | Other |  |
| MCFARLAND STUART A<br>C/O FORTRESS INVESTMENT GROUP<br>1345 AVE OF THE AMERICAS 46TH FL<br>NEW YORK, NY 10105 | X             |              |         |       |  |

### **Signatures**

| /s/ Stuart A. McFarland         | 06/07/2010 |  |  |  |
|---------------------------------|------------|--|--|--|
| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date       |  |  |  |

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Shares were issued to director as compensation for services provided to the issuer pursuant to the terms of the issuer's Nonqualified Stock Option and Incentive Award Plan.

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