

American Realty Capital Trust, Inc.
Form 8-K
April 27, 2012

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) April 27, 2012

AMERICAN REALTY CAPITAL TRUST, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland

(State or other jurisdiction of

incorporation or organization)

333- 145949

(Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

71-1036989

405 Park Avenue

New York, New York 10022

(Address, including zip code, of principal executive offices)

(212) 415-6500

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

As previously disclosed, the Board of Directors of American Realty Capital Trust, Inc. (the “Company”) has authorized and the Company declared an annual dividend of \$0.70 per share. The Company’s dividend will be paid monthly to stockholders of record at the close of business on the 8th day of each month payable on the 15th day of such month. Accordingly, on May 15, 2012, the Company will pay its May dividend in an amount equal to \$0.05833 per share to stockholders of record at the close of business on May 8, 2012.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated April 27, 2012

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.

AMERICAN REALTY CAPITAL
TRUST, INC.

April 27, 2012 By: /s/ William M. Kahane
Name: William M. Kahane
Title: Chief Executive Officer and
 President