American Realty Capital Trust, Inc. Form 8-K April 11, 2011

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

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#### 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 8, 2011

American Realty Capital Trust, Inc. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Maryland (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

333-145949 (Commission File Number)

71-1036989 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

106 Old York Road Jenkintown, PA (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

19046 (Zip Code)

(215) 887-2189 (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):

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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#### Item 8.01 Other Events

On April 8, 2011, American Realty Capital Trust, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its intention to initiate the process of interviewing investment banking firms and other advisory firms to provide its board of directors with recommendations in exploring various strategic actions to maximize shareholder value, including the assessment of various liquidity alternatives, in connection with the pending July 25, 2011 close of the company's initial public offering.

A copy of the press release, which is hereby incorporated into this filing in its entirety, is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits.
- 99.1 American Realty Capital Trust, Inc. Press Release, dated April 8, 2011

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

## AMERICAN REALTY CAPITAL TRUST, INC.

Date: April 11, 2011 By: /s/ Nicholas S. Schorsch

Name: Nicholas S. Schorsch

Title: Chief Executive Officer and

Chairman of the Board of Directors