

GEORGE W WHITNEY

Form 4

October 05, 2018

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**GEORGE W WHITNEY**

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
**SPROTT FOCUS TRUST INC.**  
**[FUND]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O SPROTT ASSET  
MANAGEMENT USA INC., 1910  
PALOMAR POINT WAY, SUITE  
200**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**10/03/2018**

☒ Director ☒ 10% Owner  
☐ Officer (give title below) ☒ Other (specify  
below) **Senior Portfolio Manager**

(Street)

**CARLSBAD, CA 92008**

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |        |                  | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V                                                                 | Amount | (A) or (D) Price |                                                                                               |                                                          |                                                       |
| Common Stock                    | 10/03/2018                           |                                                    | P                              |                                                                   | 12,437 | A \$ 7.37        | 274,477                                                                                       | I                                                        | Held by Trust <sup>(1)</sup>                          |
| Common Stock                    | 10/03/2018                           |                                                    | P                              |                                                                   | 12,437 | A \$ 7.37        | 422,317                                                                                       | I                                                        | Held by Trust <sup>(2)</sup>                          |
| Common Stock                    | 10/04/2018                           |                                                    | P                              |                                                                   | 37,563 | A \$ 7.33        | 312,040                                                                                       | I                                                        | Held by Trust <sup>(1)</sup>                          |
| Common Stock                    | 10/04/2018                           |                                                    | P                              |                                                                   | 37,563 | A \$ 7.33        | 459,880                                                                                       | I                                                        | Held by Trust <sup>(2)</sup>                          |

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|              |           |   |                           |
|--------------|-----------|---|---------------------------|
| Common Stock | 4,861,518 | D |                           |
| Common Stock | 1,431,698 | I | Held by Spouse            |
| Common Stock | 113,705   | I | Held by Son               |
| Common Stock | 1,440,075 | I | Held by Foundation<br>(3) |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 3) |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                            |                                                        |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V                                                                                       | (A)                                                      | (D)                                                           | Amount or Number of Shares                 |                                                                                                 |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                                                      | Relationships |           |         |                          |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|--------------------------|
|                                                                                                                     | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other                    |
| GEORGE W WHITNEY<br>C/O SPROTT ASSET MANAGEMENT USA INC.<br>1910 PALOMAR POINT WAY, SUITE 200<br>CARLSBAD, CA 92008 | X             | X         |         | Senior Portfolio Manager |

## Signatures

/s/ W. Whitney  
George  
10/05/2018  
Date

Signature of  
Reporting Person

## 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 held by The Mallory Descendant's Trust U/T/A DTD 12/31/2013 (the "Descendant's Trust"). Mr. George serves as trustee of the Descendant's Trust and, in such capacity, has investment and voting discretion over shares held by the Descendant's Trust. As a beneficiary of the Descendant's Trust, Mr. George's spouse has a pecuniary interest in the Descendant's Trust. Mr. George may be deemed to beneficially own the shares held by the Descendant's Trust.
  - (2) Shares held by a trust established for the benefit of Mr. George's children. As beneficiaries of the trust, Mr. George's children have a pecuniary interest in the trust. Mr. George may be deemed to beneficially own the shares held by the trust.
  - (3) Shares held by The Meredith and Whitney George Family Foundation (the "Foundation"). Mr. George serves as Chairman of the Foundation and, in such capacity, has investment and voting discretion over shares held by the Foundation.

### Remarks:

Mr. George disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and

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