

QTS Realty Trust, Inc.  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Bennewitz Daniel T.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O QTS REALITY TRUST,  
INC., 12851 FOSTER STREET

(Street)

OVERLAND PARK, KS 66213

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
QTS Realty Trust, Inc. [QTS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/31/2015

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Chief Sales & Mktg Officer

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

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Class A common stock	12/31/2015		F	273 <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 45.25	D	53,323

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)**

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Class RS LTIP units of Operating Partnership	(2)	12/31/2015		C		3,125	(2)	(2)		Class A units of Operating Partnership	3,125
Class A units of Operating Partnership	(3)	12/31/2015		C		3,125	(3)	(3)		Class A common stock	3,125

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Bennowitz Daniel T. C/O QTS REALITY TRUST, INC. 12851 FOSTER STREET OVERLAND PARK, KS 66213			Chief Sales & Mktg Officer	

## Signatures

/s/ Timothy J. Kuester, attorney-in-fact 01/04/2016

\_\_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) Reflects shares surrendered to the Issuer to satisfy tax withholding obligation in connection with the vesting of restricted shares.

(2) Each Class RS LTIP unit is convertible by the Company's Operating Partnership or by the holder into Class A units at any time, and upon equalization of the capital account of a Class RS LTIP unit with the per unit capital account of the Class A units (and full vesting of the Class RS LTIP unit, if such unit is subject to vesting), the Class RS LTIP unit will be convertible into one Class A unit, subject to certain exceptions and adjustments.

(3) Class RS LTIP units of the Operating Partnership automatically converted on a one-for-one basis to Class A units of the Operating Partnership in accordance with its terms. Class A units are redeemable for cash or, at the Company's election, shares of the Company's Class A common stock on a one-for-one basis, beginning one year following the beginning of the first full calendar month following the closing of the Company's initial public offering, which was October 15, 2013.

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