## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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|   | Name and Address of Reporting Person*  GASSER MICHAEL J               |   |   |         |   |   | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GREIF INC [ GEF,GEF.B ]          |       |  |    |                     |   |                                   |   |   | of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>table)   |     |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|---------|---|---|--|-------|--|----|---------------------|---|-----------------------------------|---|---|--|-----|--|--|
| (Last) 425 WIN  | (Fi   | *   | (Middle)                                    |         |   | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/23/2012 |  |       |  |    |                     |   |                                   |   | below)  | Officer (give title below)  Executive Cl   |     | Other (specify<br>below)<br>nairman                                      |  |
| (Street)  DELAW  (City)   |   | tate)                                       | 43015<br>(Zip)                              |         | -                                       | If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)       |  |       |  |    |                     |   |                                   | Line)<br>X                              | ridual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person |  |     |  |  |
| Table I - Non-Deriva  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date) |   |   |   |         | action                                  | 2A<br>Ex<br>ur) if a  | ecurities Acq<br>2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) |       | 3. Transaction Code (Instr.                            |    | 4. Securit          | Oosed of, or Benefic<br>4. Securities Acquired (A) of<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4           |                                   | 5. Amou<br>Securiti<br>Benefic<br>Owned |   | unt of 6. es Fo (D)  |     | n: Direct<br>or Indirect<br>nstr. 4)                                     | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership                |
|   |   |   |   |         |   | $\downarrow$  |  |       | Code   | v  | Amount              | (A) or<br>(D)   | Price                             |   | Reporte<br>Transac<br>(Instr. 3   | tion(s)<br>and 4)  |     |  | Instr. 4)  |
| Class A C   | Common Sto  | ock<br>———————————————————————————————————— |   | 08/23   | 3/2012                                  |   |  |       | M  |    | 7,797(1             | 1) A  | \$1                               | 3.1                                     | .1 171,782 D  |  |     |  |  |
| Class A C   | Common Sto  | ock   |   | 08/23   | 3/2012                                  |   |  |       | S  |    | 7,797(1             | 1) D  | \$41                              | .394                                    | 163   | 3,986  | D   |  |  |
|   |   | Т   | able II -                                   |         |   |   |  |       |  |    | osed of<br>converti |   |                                   |   | Owned   |  |     |  |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                                 | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)  | 3A. Deem<br>Execution<br>if any<br>(Month/D | n Date, | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |   | n of   |       | 6. Date Exercisa<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year |    | е                   | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative Securit<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                                   | S<br>(I                                 | . Price of<br>erivative<br>ecurity<br>nstr. 5)  | 9. Number<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficiall<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transactio<br>(Instr. 4) | y G | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|   |   |   |   |         | Code                                    | v   | (A)  | (D)   | Date<br>Exercisal                                      |    | Expiration<br>Date  | Title   | Amou<br>or<br>Numb<br>of<br>Share | er                                      |   |  |     |  |  |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock<br>Options   | \$13.1  | 08/23/2012                                  |   |         | M                                       |   |  | 7,797 | 09/05/20   | 04 | 09/05/2012          | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock  | 7,79                              | )7                                      | \$13.1  | 72,981   |     | D  |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The shares are being sold pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Plan dated June 28, 2011, which in intended to comply with Rule 10b5-1.

Michael J. Gasser by Gary R.

Martz pursuant to a POA filed 08/24/2012

with the Commission

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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