FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  GUNSETT DANIEL J					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  GREIF INC [ GEF,GEF.B ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) 425 WIN	(F VTER ROA	irst) D	(Middle)			Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2009							Officer ( below)	give title		Other (s below)	pecify	
(Street) DELAWARE OH 43015					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City) (State) (Zip)																		
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				Code	e V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Phantom Stock Units (Cash Only Rights)	\$33.43	01/01/2009		A		355.52		08/08/1988	(1) 0	8/08/1988 <sup>(1)</sup>	Class A Common Stock	355.52	\$33.43	31,631	.92	D		
Phantom Stock Units (Cash Only Rights)	\$30.26	02/02/2009		A		309.81		08/08/1988 <sup>(</sup>	(1) 0	8/08/1988 <sup>(1)</sup>	Class A Common Stock	309.81	\$30.26	32,033	.51	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The units are to be settled in cash upon the reporting person's retirement from the Board.

Daniel J. Gunsett by John K. 02/02/2009 Dieker pursuant to a POA filed with the Commission.

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- \* 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).

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