### FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> ORBAN GEORGE	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ROSS STORES INC</u> [ ROST ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/06/2009	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)
4440 ROSEWOOD DR. BUILDING 4	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
(Street) PLEASANTON CA 94588		X 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)		3. Transac Code (Ir 8)		4. Securities Disposed O and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	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	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	05/06/2009		М		8,000	A	\$11.5	85,744	D	
Common Stock								30,550	Ι	By Daughter
Common Stock								10,950	Ι	By Daughter
Common Stock								30,550	Ι	By Son
Common Stock								1,192,096	I	By Partnership

 

 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)	Code (In		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$11.5	05/06/2009		М			8,000	(1)	05/27/2009	Common Stock	8,000	\$0.00	0.00	D	

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. Grant to reporting person of an option which begins vesting six months from grant date (Initial Vest Date). On Initial Vest Date, grant vests and becomes exercisable as to 1/6 of shares granted and then vests and becomes exercisable as to 1/36 of shares granted per month thereafter.

### /s/George P. Orban

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

05/08/2009

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

 $^{\star}$  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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