

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <b>ROCHE JOHN</b>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <b>C/O RETAIL OPPORTUNITY INVESTMENTS CORP.</b> <b>81 MAIN STREET, SUITE #503</b>  (Street) <b>WHITE PLAINS NY 10601</b>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>RETAIL OPPORTUNITY INVESTMENTS CORP [ ROIC ]</b>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <b>Chief Financial Officer</b>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <b>12/31/2011</b>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share	12/31/2011		A		8,333 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$0	131,533	D	
Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share	12/31/2011		F		12,742 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	\$11.84	118,791	D	

**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)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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)					

**Explanation of Responses:**

- On March 11, 2011, the reporting person was granted 25,000 shares of restricted Common Stock that were issued pursuant to the Retail Opportunity Investments Corp. 2009 Equity Incentive Plan. The shares vest as to 8,333 shares on December 31, 2011, 8,333 shares on December 31, 2012 and 8,334 shares on December 31, 2013 based on the Issuer's achievement of certain performance criteria for each of the 12 months ending December 31, 2011, 2012 and 2013. The performance criteria for 2011 were met, resulting in vesting of 8,333 shares.
- Consists of shares of Common Stock withheld by the Issuer in order to satisfy the tax withholding obligation of the reporting person in connection with shares of restricted Common Stock that vested.

/s/ John B. Roche 01/04/2012

\*\* 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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