FINN JOHN F Form 4 December 09, 2009

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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See Instruction 1(b).

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 \* FINN JOHN F

(First) (Middle) (Last)

**425 WINTER ROAD** 

(Street)

(State)

DELAWARE, OH 43015

(City)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

GREIF INC [GEF,GEF.B] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/07/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

below)

Issuer

Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Person

X\_ Director

Officer (give title

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership Form: Direct (Instr. 4)

Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

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7. Nature of

10% Owner Other (specify

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Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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)

1. Title of Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

5. Number 4 Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired

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

Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)

7. Title and Amount

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	Derivative Security				(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Shares
Phantom Stock Units (Cash Only Rights)	\$ 58.56	12/07/2009	A		25.61		08/08/1988(1)	08/08/1988(1)	Class A Common Stock	25.6
Phantom Stock Units (Cash Only Rights)	\$ 57.12	12/08/2009	A		26.26		08/08/1988(1)	08/08/1988(1)	Class A Common Stock	26.2

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
FINN JOHN F 425 WINTER ROAD	X						
DELAWARE, OH 43015	Λ						

## **Signatures**

John F. Finn by John K. Dieker pursuant to a POA filed with the Commission.

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

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