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American Realty Capital Trust Form 8-K August 01, 2012	, Inc.					
UNITED STATES						
SECURITIES AND EXCHA	NGE COMMISSION					
WASHINGTON, DC 20549						
FORM 8-K						
CURRENT REPORT						
PURSUANT TO SECTION	13 OR 15(d) OF THE					
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934						
Date of Report (Date of earli	est event reported) July 31	, 2012 (July 30, 2012)				
AMERICAN REALTY CAP	PITAL TRUST, INC.					
(Exact name of Registrant as s	pecified in its charter)					
Maryland	001-35439	71-1036989				
(State or other jurisdiction of	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)				
incorporation or organization)	,	1				

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New	York,	New	York	10022

(Address, including zip code, of principal executive offices)

(646) 937-6900

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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## Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On July 31, 2012, American Realty Capital Trust, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release, supplemental financial information, a letter to shareholders and a fact sheet with respect to its financial results for the six months ended June 30, 2012.

Copies of the press release, supplemental financial information, shareholder letter and fact sheet are furnished as Exhibits 99.1, 99.2, 99.3 and 99.4 to this Current Report on Form 8-K, respectively. Such information, including Exhibits 99.1, 99.2, 99.3 and 99.4 hereto, shall not be deemed "filed" for any purpose, including for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in this Item 2.02, including Exhibits 99.1, 99.2, 99.3 and 99.4 shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing.

#### Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

On July 30, 2012, the Company's board of directors authorized and the Company declared a 2.14% increase in its current annual dividend. The annual dividend rate will be increased from \$0.700 per share to \$0.715 per share per annum. The new annual dividend rate will be payable commencing September 15, 2012 to stockholders of record on September 8, 2012.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

#### (d) Exhibits

# Exhibit No. Description

- 99.1 Second quarter 2012 earnings release, dated July 31, 2012
- 99.2 Quarterly supplementary information for the period ending June 30, 2012
- 99.3 Shareholder Letter
- 99.4 Fact Sheet, as of June 30, 2012

### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

AMERICAN REALTY CAPITAL TRUST, INC.

July 31, 2012 By: /s/ William M. Kahane

Name: William M. Kahane

Title: Chief Executive Officer and President

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