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SECURITIES

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

SHAPIRO IRA P

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

11/12/2010

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BLACKROCK DEBT STRATEGIES FUND, INC.

[DSU]

4. Relationship of Reporting

Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

55 EAST 52ND STREET

(Street)

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer Other (give title below) (specify below)

Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

NEW YORK. NYÂ 10055

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

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

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security** (Instr. 4)

4 Conversion or Exercise Price of

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Date Exercisable

Expiration Title Date

Amount or Number of Shares

Derivative Security

Security: Direct (D) or Indirect

(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Director 10% Owner Officer Other SHAPIRO IRA P Â Â Secretary Â 55 EAST 52ND STREET NEW YORK, NYÂ 10055

Date

Signatures

/s/ Janey Ahn as 11/18/2010 Attorney-in-Fact **Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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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Remarks:

No securities beneficially owned.

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