

**Report of Organizational Actions  
 Affecting Basis of Securities**

▶ See separate instructions.

**Part I Reporting Issuer**

1 Issuer's name <b>INLAND WESTERN RETAIL REAL ESTATE TRUST, INC.</b>		2 Issuer's employer identification number (EIN) <b>42-1579325</b>	
3 Name of contact for additional information <b>ROBERT BEESLEY</b>	4 Telephone No. of contact <b>630-218-8000</b>	5 Email address of contact <b>robert.beesley@inland-western.com</b>	
6 Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) of contact <b>2901 BUTTERFIELD ROAD</b>		7 City, town, or post office, state, and Zip code of contact <b>OAK BROOK, IL 60523</b>	
8 Date of action <b>See Attachment</b>	9 Classification and description <b>COMMON STOCK</b>		
10 CUSIP number	11 Serial number(s)	12 Ticker symbol	13 Account number(s)

**Part II Organizational Action** Attach additional statements if needed. See back of form for additional questions.

14 Describe the organizational action and, if applicable, the date of the action or the date against which shareholders' ownership is measured for the action ▶ **On the various distribution dates listed on the attachment ("Distribution Date") Inland Western Retail Real Estate Trust, Inc. ("IWEST") paid a distribution per share to the shareholders of record at the close of business listed on the attachment.**

15 Describe the quantitative effect of the organizational action on the basis of the security in the hands of a U.S. taxpayer as an adjustment per share or as a percentage of old basis ▶ **79.95% of the distribution paid on the Distribution Date was not paid out of IWEST's earnings and profits and thus was considered a non-dividend distribution. A non-dividend distribution reduces the shareholder's adjusted tax basis of IWEST stock.**

16 Describe the calculation of the change in basis and the data that supports the calculation, such as the market values of securities and the valuation dates ▶ **The non-dividend distribution represents distributions associated with the 2011 tax year which are in excess of the current year and accumulated earnings and profits.**

**Part II** Organizational Action (continued)

**17** List the applicable Internal Revenue Code section(s) and subsection(s) upon which the tax treatment is based ▶ Internal Revenue Code ("IRC") Section 301(c) states the portion of the distribution which is a dividend (defined in IRC Section 316) is taxable and the portion of the distribution which is not a dividend shall be applied against and reduce adjusted basis of the stock.

**18** Can any resulting loss be recognized? ▶ Pursuant to IRC Section 311, a distributing corporation will not recognize a loss on a non-liquidating distribution of property. A shareholder receiving a non-liquidating distribution of property from a corporation will not recognize any loss on such non-liquidating distribution of property.

**19** Provide any other information necessary to implement the adjustment, such as the reportable tax year ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

**Sign Here**

Signature ▶ *Robert Beesley* Date ▶ 3/1/12

Print your name ▶ **ROBERT BEESLEY** Title ▶ **AVP - TAX DIRECTOR**

<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	Firm's name ▶				Firm's EIN ▶
	Firm's address ▶				Phone no.

INLAND WESTERN RETAIL REAL ESTATE TRUST, INC.  
FEIN: 42-1579325

THIS STATEMENT IS TO AND MADE PART OF FORM 9937, REPORT OF ORGANIZATIONAL ACTIONS AFFECTING BASIS OF SECURITIES

DATE OF ACTION	RECORD DATE	DISTRIBUTION PER SHARE	DIVIDEND AMOUNT	DIVIDEND PERCENTAGE	NON-DIVIDEND AMOUNT	NON-DIVIDEND PERCENTAGE
1/10/2011	12/31/2010	\$ 0.05625	\$ 0.01128	20.05%	\$ 0.04497	79.95%
4/11/2011	3/31/2011	\$ 0.059375	\$ 0.01190	20.05%	\$ 0.04747	79.95%
7/11/2011	6/30/2011	\$ 0.06250	\$ 0.01253	20.05%	\$ 0.04997	79.95%
11/11/2011	10/3/2011	\$ 0.06375	\$ 0.01278	20.05%	\$ 0.05097	79.95%
		<u>\$ 0.24</u>	<u>\$ 0.05</u>		<u>\$ 0.19</u>	