

# FORM 3

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the  
Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (MM/DD/YYYY)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
<b>Ragan Virginia D.</b>	<b>4/29/2009</b>	<b>GREIF INC [GEF, GEF.B]</b>
(Last) (First) (Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)	
<b>65 EAST STATE STREET, SUITE 2100</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)	
(Street)	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
<b>COLUMBUS, OH 43215</b>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)		

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
<b>Class A Common Stock</b>	<b>5830</b>	<b>D</b>	
<b>Class A Common Stock</b>	<b>4698</b>	<b>I (1)</b>	<b>Trustee</b>
<b>Class B Common Stock</b>	<b>1043450</b>	<b>D</b>	
<b>Class B Common Stock</b>	<b>10751808</b>	<b>I (1)</b>	<b>Trustee</b>
<b>Class B Common Stock</b>	<b>224805</b>	<b>I (2)</b>	<b>Trustee</b>

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

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (MM/DD/YYYY)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

**Explanation of Responses:**

- (1) By family trusts of which Virginia D. Ragan is a co-trustee.
- (2) By grantor retained annuity trusts of which Virginia D. Ragan is the trustee.

**Reporting Owners**

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Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
<b>Ragan Virginia D.</b> <b>65 EAST STATE STREET, SUITE 2100</b> <b>COLUMBUS, OH 43215</b>		X		

**Signatures**

/s/ Virginia D. Ragan

6/1/2009

\*\* 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 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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