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FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Fir Tree, L.L.C.			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 10/20/2009		nent	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RETAIL OPPORTUNITY INVESTMENTS CORP [NAQ]							
(Last) (First) (Middle) 51 BEDFORD ROAD						Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director X 10% Owner				5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
SUITES 3&4 (Street) KATONAH NY 10536									Other (specify pelow)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person X Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City) (St	ate) (Zip)										· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
			Table I - N	lon	-Deriv	ative Securities Benefici	ially Ow	ned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	Form:	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)				
Common Stock					3,150,000(1)		I		See Footnotes ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾				
		(ive Securities Beneficial rants, options, convertib			s)				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)			2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			3. Title and Amount of Securit Underlying Derivative Securit			4. Conversion or Exercise Price of		5. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
			Date Exercisable					mount or umber of hares		itive ity	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		
Warrants			10/20/2009	10/	23/2014	Common Stock	4,350,0	00(1)	13	2	I	See Footnotes ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	
1. Name and Address Fir Tree, L.L.C													
(Last) 51 BEDFORD RO SUITES 3&4	(First)	(Midd	dle)										
(Street) KATONAH	NY	1053	36										
(City)	(State)	(Zip)											
Name and Address Camellia Partn													
(Last) 51 BEDFORD RO SUITES 3&4	(First) OAD	(Midd	dle)										
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1. Name and Address of Fredman Andre		
(Last) 7301 SW 57TH CC SUITE 410	(First) OURT	(Middle)
(Street) SOUTH MIAMI	FL	33143
(City)	(State)	(Zip)
1. Name and Address of FIR TREE INC	· -	
(Last) 505 FIFTH AVENU 23 RD FLOOR	(First) JE	(Middle)
(Street) NEW YORK	NY	10017
(City)	(State)	(Zip)

Explanation of Responses:

1. The filing of this Form 3 shall not be construed as an admission that Fir Tree, L.L.C., Camellia Partners, LLC, Fir Tree, Inc., Jeffrey Tannenbaum or Andrew Fredman (the "Reporting Persons") is or was for the purposes of Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise the beneficial owner of any of the shares of common stock, \$.0001 par value per share (the "Common Stock") or any of the warrants (the "Warrants") of Retail Opportunity Investments Corp. (the "Issuer") owned by Fir Tree Value Master Fund, L.P., a Cayman Islands exempted limited partnership ("Fir Tree Capital Opportunity") or their affiliates. Pursuant to Rule 16a-1, the Reporting Persons disclaim such beneficial ownership.

2. Fir Tree, L.L.C., the general partner of Fir Tree Value and Camellia Partners, LLC, the general partner of Fir Tree Capital Opportunity, and Fir Tree, Inc., the investment manager of both Fir Tree Value and Fir Tree Capital Opportunity, hold indirectly the Common Stock and Warrants through the accounts of Fir Tree Capital Opportunity and Fir Tree Value and its affiliates; Jeffrey Tannenbaum, the principal of Fir Tree, L.L.C., Fir Tree, Inc. and Camellia Partners, LLC, and Andrew Fredman, a principal of Camellia Partners, LLC, at the time of the transaction, controlled the disposition and voting of the Common Stock and Warrants. Fir Tree, L.L.C. receives a performance-based allocation and Fir Tree, Inc. receives an asset-based fee from Fir Tree Value and its affiliates. Camellia Partners, LLC receives a performance-based allocation and Fir Tree, Inc. receives an asset-based fee from Fir Tree Capital Opportunity and its affiliates.

/s/ Jeffrey Tannenbaum, Principal of Fir Tree, L.L.C.	10/21/2009
<u>/s/ Jeffrey Tannenbaum,</u> <u>Principal of Camellia Partners,</u> <u>LLC</u>	10/21/2009
/s/ Jeffrey Tannenbaum	10/21/2009
/s/ Andrew Fredman	10/21/2009
/s/ Jeffrey Tannenbaum, Principal of Fir Tree, Inc.	10/21/2009
** 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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