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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement GENERAL AMERICAN INVESTORS CO INC [GAM] **Â** Overbrook Foundation (Month/Day/Year) 11/30/2004 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 122 EAST 42ND STREET, (Check all applicable) **SUITE 2500** (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director Officer _X_ Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Director is a GAM Director Person NEW YORK, NYÂ 10168 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) General American Investors Inc. Common Â 139,429 D Stock Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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)
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Date Expiration Title Exercisable Date

Amount or Security Number of Shares Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Overbrook Foundation

122 EAST 42ND STREET, SUITE 2500 NEW YORK, NYÂ 10168 Â

Director is a GAM Director

Signatures

Arthur G. Altschul, Jr.,

**Signature of Reporting Person

02/13/2006

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Director

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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