

TRUST FBO ARTHUR G ALTSCHUL JR UAD 11/20/64

Form 5

January 10, 2005

**FORM 5****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**Check this box if  
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5 obligations  
may continue.See Instruction  
1(b).Form 3 Holdings  
Reported

Form 4

Transactions

Reported

**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL  
OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

TRUST FBO ARTHUR G  
ALTSCHUL JR UAD 11/20/64

(Last) (First) (Middle)

122 E 42ND STREET STE  
25000, C/O OVERBROOK  
MANAGEMENT CORP

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
SymbolGENERAL AMERICAN  
INVESTORS CO INC [GAM]3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/30/20045. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Director is a trustee

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

NEW YORK, NY 10168-2500

☒ Form Filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form Filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
General American Investors, Inc. Common Stock	12/23/2004		J <sup>(1)</sup>	1,442 A	\$ 31.015	51,136 D	

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. of D Se Bo O Er Is Fi (I
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares		

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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122 E 42ND STREET STE 25000  
C/O OVERBROOK MANAGEMENT CORP  
NEW YORK, NY 10168-2500

Â Â Â Director is a trustee

## Signatures

Arthur G. Altschul, Jr.,  
Trustee 01/10/2005

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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).

(1) Shares received as dividend

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