# SEC Form 5

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Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b). Form 3 Holdings Reported.	ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFI OWNERSHIP								OMB APPROVAL           OMB Number:         3235-0362           Estimated average burden         10			
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Schaefer Cary L (Last) (First) (I C/O FIDUS INVESTMENT CORPC 1603 ORRINGTON AVENUE, SUIT	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol     FIDUS INVESTMENT Corp [ FDUS ]     3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)     12/31/2011					(Che	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer heck all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) CFO, CCO & Secretary					
(Street) EVANSTON IL 6	0201 Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned												
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yea		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Dispos Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities Beneficially Owned at end Issuer's Fiscal		Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Amount (D)		Price		Year (Instr. 3 ar 4)	id (Instr. 4)			

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

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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)			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

#### Explanation of Responses:

Common Stock

1. Includes an aggregate of 259.99 shares of common stock acquired by the reporting person on September 26, 2011 and December 20, 2011 pursuant to Fidus Investment Corporation's Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

#### **Remarks:**

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

/s/ Megan H. Barnes, Attorney-02/14/2012 in-Fact for Cary L. Schaefer

\*\* 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 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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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#### Exhibit 24

## POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Edward H. Ross, Cary L. Schaefer, John A. Good, Helen W. Brown, Megan H. Barnes and Alison Shores, signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

(1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Fidus Investment Corporation (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;

(2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and

(3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 2nd day of November, 2011.

Fidus Investment Corporation

/s/ Cary Schaefer Name: Cary Schaefer Title: CFO & CCO