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Registration statements of unit investment trusts

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**GOVERNMENT SECURITIES INC FD GNMA SER 2A DEFINED ASSET FUNDS**

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20549

FORM S-6

FOR REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT  
OF 1933 OF SECURITIES OF UNIT INVESTMENT  
TRUSTS REGISTERED ON FORM N-8B-2

A. EXACT NAME OF TRUST:

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES INCOME FUND  
GNMA SERIES 2A  
DEFINED ASSET FUNDS

B. NAMES OF DEPOSITORS:

MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED  
SMITH BARNEY INC.  
PAINWEBBER INCORPORATED  
PRUDENTIAL SECURITIES INCORPORATED  
DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS INC.

C. COMPLETE ADDRESSES OF DEPOSITORS' PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES:

MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH  
INCORPORATED  
DEFINED ASSET FUNDS  
P.O. BOX 9051  
PRINCETON, N.J. 08543-9051

SMITH BARNEY INC.  
388 GREENWICH STREET  
23RD FLOOR  
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10013

PRUDENTIAL SECURITIES  
INCORPORATED  
ONE NEW YORK PLAZA  
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10292

DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS  
INC.  
TWO WORLD TRADE CENTER--  
59TH FLOOR  
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10048

PAINWEBBER INCORPORATED  
1285 AVE. OF THE AMERICAS  
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10019

D. NAMES AND COMPLETE ADDRESSES OF AGENTS FOR SERVICE:

TERESA KONCICK, ESQ.  
P.O BOX 9051  
PRINCETON, N.J. 08543-9051

DOUGLAS LOWE, ESQ.  
130 LIBERTY STREET--  
29TH FLOOR  
NEW YORK, N. Y. 10006

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ONE NEW YORK PLAZA  
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10292

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LAURIE HESSLEIN  
388 GREENWICH STREET  
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10013

ROBERT E. HOLLEY  
1285 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS  
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10019

PIERRE DE SAINT PHALLE, ESQ.  
450 LEXINGTON AVENUE  
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10017

E. TITLE AND AMOUNT OF SECURITIES BEING REGISTERED:

An indefinite number of Units of Beneficial Interest pursuant to Rule 24f-2 promulgated under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

F. PROPOSED MAXIMUM OFFERING PRICE TO THE PUBLIC OF THE SECURITIES BEING REGISTERED:

Indefinite

G. AMOUNT OF FILING FEE:

\$500 (as required by Rule 24f-2)

H. APPROXIMATE DATE OF PROPOSED SALE TO THE PUBLIC:

As soon as practicable after the acquisition and deposit of the underlying obligations.

THE REGISTRANT HEREBY AMENDS THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON SUCH DATE OR DATES AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO DELAY ITS EFFECTIVE DATE UNTIL THE REGISTRANT SHALL FILE A FURTHER AMENDMENT WHICH SPECIFICALLY STATES THAT THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL THEREAFTER BECOME EFFECTIVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 8(A) OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 OR UNTIL THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON SUCH DATE AS THE COMMISSION, ACTING PURSUANT TO SAID SECTION 8(A), MAY DETERMINE.

PART II

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION NOT INCLUDED IN THE PROSPECTUS

- I. Bonding arrangements of each of the Depositors are incorporated by reference to Item A of Part II to the Registration Statement on Form S-6 under the Securities Act of 1933 for Municipal Investment Trust Fund, Monthly Payment Series--573 Defined Asset Funds (Reg. No. 333-08241).
- II. The date of organization of each of the Depositors is set forth in

Item B of Part II to the Registration Statement on Form S-6 under the Securities Act of 1933 for Municipal Investment Trust Fund, Monthly Payment Series--573 Defined Asset Funds (Reg. No. 333-08241) and is herein incorporated by reference thereto.

- III. The Charter and By-Laws of each of the Depositors are incorporated herein by reference to Exhibits 1.3 through 1.12 to the Registration Statement on Form S-6 under the Securities Act of 1933 for Municipal Investment Trust Fund, Monthly Payment Series--573 Defined Asset Funds (Reg. No. 333-08241).
- IV. Information as to Officers and Directors of the Depositors has been filed pursuant to Schedules A and D of Form BD under Rules 15b1-1 and 15b3-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is incorporated by reference to the SEC filings indicated and made a part of this Registration Statement:

SEC FILE OR  
IDENTIFICATION NO.

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Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated	8-7221
Smith Barney Inc.	8-8177
PaineWebber Incorporated	8-16267
Prudential Securities Incorporated	8-27154
Dean Witter Reynolds Inc.	8-14172

B. The Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Numbers of the Sponsors and Trustee are as follows:

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated	13-5674085
Smith Barney Inc.	13-1912900
PaineWebber Incorporated	13-2638166
Prudential Securities Incorporated	22-2347336
Dean Witter Reynolds Inc.	94-0899825
The Bank of New York	13-4941102

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Final prospectuses from the following Series of The Government Securities Income Fund (all of which are incorporated herein by reference) may be used as preliminary prospectuses for this Series: GNMA Series 1W (Reg. No. 33-53181); GNMA Series 1X (Reg. No. 33-56497); GNMA Series 1Y (Reg. No. 33-57873).

CONTENTS OF REGISTRATION STATEMENT

THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON FORM S-6 COMPRISES THE FOLLOWING PAPERS AND DOCUMENTS:

The facing sheet of Form S-6.

The Cross-Reference Sheet (incorporated by reference to the Cross-Reference Sheet to the Registration Statement of The Government Securities Income Fund, GNMA Series R, 1933 Act File No. 2-88061).

The Prospectus.

Additional Information not included in the Prospectus (Part II).

\*Consent of independent public accountants.

The following exhibits:

- 1.1 -- Form of Trust Indenture (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1.1 to the Registration Statement of The Government Securities Income Fund, GNMA Series 1Y, 1933 Act File No. 33-57873).
- 1.1.1 -- Form of Standard Terms and Conditions of Trust Effective October 21, 1993 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1.1.1 to the Registration Statement of Municipal Investment Trust Fund, Multistate Series-48, 1933 Act File No. 33-50247).
- 1.2 -- Form of Master Agreement Among Underwriters (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 1.2 to the Registration Statement of The Corporate Income Fund, One Hundred Ninety-Fourth Monthly Payment Series, 1933 Act File No. 2-90925).
- 2.1 -- Form of Certificate of Beneficial Interest (included in Exhibit 1.1.1).
- \*3.1 -- Opinion of counsel as to the legality of the securities being issued including their consent to the use of their names under the headings "Taxes" and "Miscellaneous-- Legal Opinion" in the Prospectus.
- \*4.1 -- Consent of the Evaluator.
- 9.1 -- Information Supplement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 9.1 to the Registration Statement of Government Securities Income Fund Freddie Mac Series-12, 1933 Act File No. 33-56849).

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\* To be filed with Amendment to Registration Statement.

## SIGNATURES

PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, THE REGISTRANT HAS DULY CAUSED THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT OR AMENDMENT TO THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT TO BE SIGNED ON ITS BEHALF BY THE UNDERSIGNED THEREUNTO DULY AUTHORIZED IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK AND STATE OF NEW YORK ON THE 26TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1996.

Signatures appear on pages R-3, R-4, R-5 and R-6.

A majority of the members of the Board of Directors of Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated has signed this Registration Statement or Amendment to the Registration Statement pursuant to Powers of Attorney authorizing the person signing this Registration Statement or Amendment to the Registration Statement to do so on behalf of such members.

A majority of the members of the Board of Directors of Prudential Securities Incorporated has signed this Registration Statement or Amendment to the Registration Statement pursuant to Powers of Attorney authorizing the person signing this Registration Statement or Amendment to the Registration Statement to do so on behalf of such members.

A majority of the members of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc. has signed this Registration Statement or Amendment to the Registration Statement pursuant to Powers of Attorney authorizing the person signing this Registration Statement or Amendment to the Registration Statement to do so on behalf of such members.

A majority of the members of the Board of Directors of Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. has signed this Registration Statement or Amendment to the Registration Statement pursuant to Powers of Attorney authorizing the person signing this Registration Statement or Amendment to the Registration Statement to do so on behalf of such members.

A majority of the members of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of PaineWebber Incorporated has signed this Registration Statement or Amendment to the Registration Statement pursuant to Powers of Attorney authorizing the person signing this Registration Statement or Amendment to the Registration Statement to do so on behalf of such members.

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MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED  
DEPOSITOR

By the following persons, who constitute a Powers of Attorney have been

majority of the Board of Directors of  
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith  
Incorporated:

filed under Form SE and  
the following 1933 Act  
File Number: 33-43466

HERBERT M. ALLISON, JR.  
BARRY S. FRIEDBERG  
EDWARD L. GOLDBERG  
STEPHEN L. HAMMERMAN  
JEROME P. KENNEY  
DAVID H. KOMANSKY  
DANIEL T. NAPOLI  
THOMAS H. PATRICK  
JOHN L. STEFFENS  
DANIEL P. TULLY  
ROGER M. VASEY  
ARTHUR H. ZEIKEL

By ERNEST V. FABIO  
(As authorized signatory for  
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated  
and Attorney-in-fact for the persons listed above)

R-3

SMITH BARNEY INC.  
DEPOSITOR

By the following persons,  
who constitute a majority of  
the Board of Directors of  
Smith Barney Inc.:

Powers of Attorney have  
been filed under the  
1933 Act File  
Numbers: 33-49753  
and 33-51607

STEVEN D. BLACK  
JAMES BOSCHART III  
ROBERT A. CASE  
JAMES DIMON  
ROBERT DRUSKIN  
JEFFREY LANE  
ROBERT H. LESSIN

By KEVIN E. KOPCZYNSKI  
(As authorized signatory for  
Smith Barney Inc. and  
Attorney-in-fact for the persons listed above)

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PAINWEBBER INCORPORATED  
DEPOSITOR

By the following persons, who  
constitute a majority of the  
Executive Committee of the  
Board of Directors of  
PaineWebber Incorporated:

Powers of Attorney have  
been filed under  
Form SE and the  
following 1933 Act  
File Number: 33-55073

JOSEPH P. GRANO, JR.  
DONALD B. MARRON

By ROBERT E. HOLLEY  
(As authorized signatory for  
PaineWebber Incorporated and  
Attorney-in-fact for the persons listed above)

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PRUDENTIAL SECURITIES INCORPORATED  
DEPOSITOR

By the following persons,  
who constitute a majority of  
the Executive Committee of  
the Board of Directors of  
Prudential Securities Incorporated:

Powers of Attorney have been  
filed under Form SE and  
the following 1933 Act  
File Number: 33-41631

JAMES T. GAHAN  
ALAN D. HOGAN  
HOWARD A. KNIGHT  
GEORGE A. MURRAY  
LELAND B. PATON  
HARDWICK SIMMONS



By RICHARD R. HOFFMANN  
(As authorized signatory for  
Prudential Securities Incorporated  
and Attorney-in-fact for the persons listed above)

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DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS INC.  
DEPOSITOR

By the following persons, who constitute a majority of the Board of Directors of Dean Witter Reynolds Inc.:	Powers of Attorney have been filed under Form SE and the following 1933 Act File Number: 33-17085
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NANCY DONOVAN  
CHARLES A. FIUMEFREDDO  
JAMES F. HIGGINS  
STEPHEN R. MILLER  
PHILIP J. PURCELL  
THOMAS C. SCHNEIDER  
WILLIAM B. SMITH

By MICHAEL D. BROWNE  
(As authorized signatory for  
Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. and  
Attorney-in-fact for the persons listed above)

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