SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. $_$)*

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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| 2. | | | | IF A MEMBER OF A | | (a) [_] (b) [_] |
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| Item 1 | (a). | Name of Issuer: |
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| | | First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc. |
| | (b). | Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices: |
| | | 311 South Wacker Drive, Suite 4000, Chicago, Illinois 60606 |
| Item 2 | (a). | Name of Person Filing: |
| | | Security Capital Research & Management Incorporated, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Delaware ("SCR&M"). |
| | (b). | Address of Principal Business Office or, if None, Residence: |
| | | 11 South LaSalle Street, 2/nd/ Floor, Chicago, Illinois 60603 |
| | (c). | Citizenship: |
| | | Delaware |
| | (d). | Title of Class of Securities: |
| | | Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share |
| | (e). | CUSIP Number: |
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Item 4. Ownership.

(a). Amount Beneficially Owned:

SCR&M beneficially owns 1,936,600 shares of Common Stock.

(b). Percent of Class:

5.02% of the shares of Common Stock determined in accordance with the provisions of Rule 13d-1 promulgated under the Act.

- (c). Number of shares as to which such person has:
 - (i). Sole power to vote or to direct the vote:
 None.
 - (ii). Shared power to vote or to direct the vote:
 SCR&M has shared power to vote or direct the vote of 1,936,600 shares of Common Stock.
 - (iii). Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: None.
 - (iv). Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: SCR&M has shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of 1,936,600 shares of Common Stock.
- Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.

Not applicable.

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

Various persons have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, the Common Stock. No one person's interest in the Common Stock is more than five percent of the total outstanding shares of Common Stock.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company.

Not applicable.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

Not applicable.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of a Group.

Not applicable.

Item 10. Certification.

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control/ of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: February 13, 2003

SECURITY CAPITAL RESEARCH & MANAGEMENT INCORPORATED

By: /s/ David T. Novick

Name: David T. Novick Title: General Counsel