FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Pangburn Joseph H.						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Piedmont Office Realty Trust, Inc. [PDM]										tionship of Reportir all applicable) Director Officer (give title		10%	Ssuer Owner (specify	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 5565 GLENRIDGE CONNECTOR STE. 450							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/24/2018										EVP- Southwest Region			
(Street) ATLANTA GA 30342 (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) 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. Transac Date (Month/Date)						Execution Dat			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)				4 and Se Be Ov		ount of ties cially d Following ted	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
							v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(111341. 4)				
Common Stock 05/24/2									F		260(1)		D \$18		31,415		1,415	D		
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)	erivative Conversion Date Execution curity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			Date, ay/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Derive Secur Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr. and 5	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Exercisable Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		t		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

Explanation of Responses:

1. In connection with the vesting of 1,067 shares of deferred stock on May 24, 2018 (representing 25% of an initial grant made on May 24, 2016), 260 shares were forfeited by the employee and delivered to the Company to satisfy tax withholding obligations.

Remarks:

<u>/s/ Robert E. Bowers as</u>
<u>Attorney-in-Fact for Joseph H.</u> <u>05/29/2018</u>
<u>Pangburn</u>

** 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).
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