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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] Owens Raymond Lee	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Piedmont Office Realty Trust, Inc.</u> [PDM]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 11695 JOHNS CREEK PARKWAY	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/09/2014	x	Officer (give title below) EVP- Chief Inv	Other	r (specify v)		
STE. 350	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 05/13/2014	6. Indi Line)	vidual or Joint/Group	o Filing (Check	Applicable		
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(City) (State) (Zip)							
Table I - Non-Deriva	tive Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benefi	cially	Owned				

	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any	3. Transact Code (In 8)		4. Securities Disposed Of and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock								81,731(1)(2)	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

	(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)															
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					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Mr. Owens elected prior to vesting and prior to receipt of shares to defer 37.5% of an original award granted on May 9, 2014 (equivalent of 2,355 shares) into the Piedmont Office Realty Trust, Inc. (the "Issuer") Executive NonQualified Deferred Compensation Plan ("NQDCP") (approved by the Board of Directors of the Issuer on December 5, 2013). A cash contribution approximating the dollar value of the amount to be deferred will be covered by a Rabbi Trust established by the Issuer. Under the terms of the NQDCP, the dollar amount of the deferral is credited to the Rabbi Trust instead of crediting shares to the participant's share account. The investments of the Rabbi Trust will be substantially the same as the investments selected under the Issuer's 401(k) plan, including various mutual funds, but will not include ownership of Issuer common stock. Payouts under the NQDCP will be made only in cash.

2. All transactions related to the NQDCP are exempt under SEC Rule 16b-3.

Remarks:

<u>/s/ Laura P. Moon as Attorney-</u> in-Fact for Raymond Lee 06/01/2016 Owens

** 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).

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