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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> Bowers Robert E			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Piedmont Office Realty Trust, Inc. [PDM]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last) 11695 JOHN	(First) NS CREEK PAR	(Middle) RKWAY, STE. 350	- 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/02/2015	(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give Other (specify title below) below) EVP-CFO				
(Street) JOHNS CREEK (City)	NS GA 30097 EK GA		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	<ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</li> <li>X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</li> </ul>				

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned												
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	ate Execution Date,			4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	04/02/2015		F		1,367 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$ 18.83	149,929	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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Instr. 8		5. Number		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (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 of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

## Explanation of Responses:

1. In connection with the vesting of 4,098 shares of deferred stock on April 2, 2015 (representing 25% of an initial grant made on April 2, 2013), 1,367 shares were forfeited by the employee and delivered to the Company to satisfy tax withholding obligations.

<u>/s/ Laura P. Moon as</u> <u>Attorney-in-Fact for Robert</u> 04/06/2015 <u>E. Bowers</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).

\*\* 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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