FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	OF CHANGES I	N BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Smith Christopher Brent						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Piedmont Office Realty Trust, Inc. [PDM]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
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5565 GLENRIDGE CONNECTOR					05/24/2019										P	President & Chief Inv. Of					
STE. 450)																				
				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)							
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		Tabl	e I - No	n-Deriv	ative	Sec	curitie	s Acc	uired,	, Dis	posed o	f, o	r Ben	efici	ally (Owne	ed				
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									Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 09				05/24	05/24/2019				F		1,273	1)	D	\$20.44		133,140		Г			
	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 Dat if any (Month/Day/Ye	n Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		n of		6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		e	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)				vative urity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction((Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	n: ct (D) idirect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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Explanation of Responses:

1. In connection with the vesting of 2,009 shares on May 24, 2019 (representing 25% of restricted stock units granted on May 24, 2016), 1,273 shares were forfeited by the employee and delivered to the Company to satisfy tax withholding obligations.

Remarks:

/s/ Laura P. Moon as Attorney-05/28/2019 in-Fact for Christopher Brent Smith

** 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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