Instruction 1(b)

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Swope Jeffrey L.</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Piedmont Office Realty Trust, Inc. [PDM]									5. Relationsh Check all ap X Dire	orting Person(s) to		o Issuer 6 Owner			
		rst) CONNECTOR	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/15/2019										Officer (give title below)		Othe belov	r (specify v)		
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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		Tab	le I - N	lon-Deriv	ative	Secu	uritie	s Ac	quire	d, D	isposed o	f, or B	enefic	ially Own	ed					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an 5)			Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership					
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		saction(s) r. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)		
Common	Common Stock			05/15/2019					F		987(1)	D	\$20.7	9 33,615	5.1574 ⁽²⁾		D			
Common	Stock			05/15/20	019				A		4,329(3)	A	\$0	37,944	1.1574 ⁽²⁾	D				
Common	Stock													38,012	38,012.0419 ⁽²⁾ I (
		Т	able II								posed of, convertib				ı		•			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date E (Month/Day/Year) if	if any	tion Date,	4. Transa Code (8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exer Expiration I (Month/Day)		Date	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securitie Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)		
									Date		Expiration		Amount or Number of							

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. In connection with the vesting of 4,484 restricted stock units on May 15, 2019 (the date of the 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Piedmont Office Realty Trust, Inc.), representing the vesting of an initial grant made on May 17, 2018, 987 shares were forfeited by the director and delivered to the Company to satisfy tax withholding obligations.
- 2. The balance includes shares obtained through Piedmont's dividend reinvestment plan during the period in which the shares where obtained
- 3. Represents grant of restricted stock units which will vest on the earlier of the 2020 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Piedmont Office Realty Trust, Inc. or the anniversary of the grant date in May 2020.

Remarks:

/s/ Laura P. Moon as Attorneyin-Fact for Jeffrey L. Swope

05/16/2019

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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