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*     Prescott Thomas R.					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Piedmont Office Realty Trust, Inc. [ PDM ]								all app	of Reportin licable) tor er (give title		son(s) to Is 10% O Other (	wner		
(Last) 5565 GL STE, 450	5565 GLENRIDGE CONNECTOR					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/17/2020								X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)  EVP-Midwest Region					
(Street) ATLAN	(Street) ATLANTA GA 30342					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     Y Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
		Table	I - Noi	n-Deriva	tive S	ecur	ities Acc	ηuired,	Dis	posed of,	or Be	enefic	ially	Own	ed				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)				Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			, 4 and Securi Benefi		ies cially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
					Code	v	Amount	(A) o	Price	.	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(111511.4)				
Common Stock 05/17.				05/17/	2020		F		657(1)	D \$		3.6	52,178			D			
Common Stock 05/18/2					2020			D		454(2)	D	\$14	<b>4.7</b> 5.1		51,724		D		
Common Stock 05/18/				2020			F	400(3)		D	\$14.7		51,324		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)	perivative Conversion Date Execution Detecurity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		on Date, Trans Code				6. Date Exercis Expiration Date (Month/Day/Ye		te	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr 3 and 4)				9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	y G	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	V (A) (D)		Date Expirati Exercisable Date			Amount or Number of Shares								

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. In connection with the vesting of 2,240 shares on May 17, 2020 (representing 25% of deferred stock granted on May 17, 2018), 657 shares were forfeited by the reporting person and delivered to the Company to satisfy tax withholding obligations.
- 2. Of the 1,817 shares that vested on May 18, 2020, representing 25% of an initial award granted on May 18, 2017, Mr. Prescott elected to defer 25% of the award (equivalent of 454 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.
- 3. In connection with the vesting of 1,363 shares on May 18, 2020, representing deferred stock vested net of deferral into the NQDCP mentioned above, 400 shares were forfeited by the reporting person and delivered to the Company to satisfy tax withholding obligations

## Remarks:

/s/ Laura P. Moon as Attorney-05/19/2020 in-Fact for Thomas R. Prescott

\*\* 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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