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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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| <b>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</b><br>Owens Raymond Lee<br><hr/> (Last) (First) (Middle)<br>11695 JOHNS CREEK PARKWAY, STE. 350<br><hr/> (Street)<br>JOHNS CREEK GA 30097<br><hr/> (City) (State) (Zip) | <b>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</b><br>Piedmont Office Realty Trust, Inc. [PDM] | <b>5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</b><br>(Check all applicable)<br>Director 10% Owner<br>X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)<br>EVP- Cap Mkts |
|   | <b>3. Date of Earliest Transaction</b><br>(Month/Day/Year)<br>05/06/2012                       |  |
|   |  | <b>4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed</b><br>(Month/Day/Year)   |

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 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 and 5) |            |          | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|------------|----------|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V | Amount  | (A) or (D) | Price    |   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 05/06/2012                           |  | F                              |   | 707 <sup>(1)</sup>  | D          | \$ 17.25 | 62,345  | D  |   |

