## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington,	D.C.	20549

<b>STATEMENT</b>	OF CHANGES	IN BENEFICIAL	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* $\underline{Bowers\ Robert\ E}$						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Piedmont Office Realty Trust, Inc. [ PDM ]									Check all a Dir		3	Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner Other (speci	
(Last) 5565 GL: STE, 450	_	rst) (I	Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/04/2020										ow)		below)	
(Street) ATLANT (City)	CA GA		30342 Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D				Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. ) 8)					nd 5) Secu Ben Owr	mount of irities eficially ed Following orted	6. Owners Form: Dir (D) or Ind (I) (Instr. 4	ect irect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
									Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Tran	saction(s) r. 3 and 4)			(111341. 4)
Common Stock 02/04.				/2020	2020			A		42,096	42,096 <sup>(1)</sup> A		\$	312,452		D			
Common Stock 02/04/2				/2020	2020		F		12,911 <sup>(2)</sup> D		D	\$24	.03 299,541		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 Da if any (Month/Day/\)	on Date, Transaction Code (Inst					6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		ıstr. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		Owne Form: Direct or Ind (I) (Ins	(D) irect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
						v	(A)	(D)			Expiration Date	Title	or Nu of	mber ares					

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Such shares were granted without restriction pursuant to the performance share component of the 2017-2019 Long Term Incentive Compensation plan.
- 2. In connection with the grant of the unrestricted stock award (42,096 shares) on February 4, 2020, 12,911 shares were forfeited by the employee and delivered to the Company to satisfy tax withholding obligations.

## Remarks:

/s/ Laura P. Moon as Attorneyin-Fact for Robert E. Bowers

02/06/2020

\*\* 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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