Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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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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## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. In connection with the vesting of 5,606 shares on May 17, 2021 (representing 25% of deferred stock granted on May 17, 2018), 3,538 shares were forfeited by the reporting person and delivered to the Company to satisfy tax withholding obligations.

## Remarks:

/s/ Laura P. Moon as Attorney-05/18/2021 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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