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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* Smith Christopher Brent						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Piedmont Office Realty Trust, Inc. [PDM]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner						
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(Last) (First) (Middle) 5565 GLENRIDGE CONNECTOR						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/02/2021									President & Chief Exec. Off					
STE. 450)	4 If	A If Annual Investor Date of Opinion I Filled (Marsh G. 201)									C. balli idaal oo balakkoo oo Ellaa (Obaala 1 5 11								
(Street)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
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(City)	(Sta	ate) (Z	Zip)												Perso	on		·		
		Table	I - No	n-Deriva	tive \$	Secu	rities	Acq	uired	, Dis	posed of	, or E	3enef	iciall	y Own	ed				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day					eemed ution Date, :h/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securitie Disposed (5)				1 and Securi Benefi Owner		ties cially I Following	Forn (D) c	n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
						Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)		ice	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)				
Common Stock 02/02					2021				A		19,618(1)	P	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	15	151,775		D		
Common Stock 02/02/				02/02/2	2021				F		12,674(2)	²⁾ D \$		15.68	8 139,101			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)	or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Disport of (D	r osed) r. 3, 4	6. Date Expirat (Month	tion Da		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ins 3 and 4)		De Se (Ir	Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	y	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er						

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Such shares were granted without restriction pursuant to the performance share component of the 2018-2020 Long Term Incentive Compensation plan.
- 2. In connection with the grant of the unrestricted stock award (19,618 shares) on February 2, 2021, 12,674 shares were forfeited by the employee and delivered to the Company to satisfy tax withholding obligations.

Remarks:

/s/ Laura P. Moon as Attorney-

02/04/2021 <u>in-Fact for Christopher Brent</u>

** 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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