FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name ar	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Piedmont Office Realty Trust, Inc. [PDM]										Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director 10% Owner										
(Last)	(Fir	,	/liddle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/04/2012									X	Office	,		Other (specify below)		
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STE. 350	4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)									
(Street)											X Form filed by One Reporting Person										
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(City)	(Sta	ate) (Z	Zip)																		
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/						Execution Da		ate,	3. Transac Code (In 8)		4. Securit Disposed 5)				3, 4 and S		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		vnership n: Direct r ect (I) r. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)		Price	,	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		()		(111501. 4)					
Common	012	012			A		9,190(1	1)	A	\$0		116,591			D						
Common	012			A		23,556	(2)	A	\$0		140,147			D							
Common Stock 04/04/20						012			F		4,894(3	3)	D	\$17.49		135,253			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)				ransaction ode (Instr.		mber ative rities ired osed	Expiration (Month/I	on Da Day/Y	ear)	Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr 3 and 4)  Amount or Number of Security (Instr 3 and 5)		ount	Secu		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4)	wnership orm: irect (D) r Indirect ) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership	
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## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Such shares were granted without restriction pursuant to the performance share component of the 2010 Long Term Incentive Compensation plan.
- 2. Of the shares granted, 25% vest on the day of the grant, and the remaining shares vest ratably on the anniversary date of the grant date over the following three years.
- 3. In connection with the grant of the unrestricted stock award (9,190), and the vesting of 25% of the restricted stock award (5,889) on April 4, 2012, 4,894 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 04/05/2012

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  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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