

Prescott Thomas R.
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Prescott Thomas R.

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)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
11695 JOHNS CREEK PARKWAY, STE 350
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/08/2018

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP-Midwest Region

JOHNS CREEK, GA 30097

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	02/08/2018		A	(1)	7,363 \$ 0	29,221	D
Common Stock	02/08/2018		F	(2)	2,437 \$ 17.47	26,784	D

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

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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 Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Prescott Thomas R. 11695 JOHNS CREEK PARKWAY STE 350 JOHNS CREEK, GA 30097			EVP-Midwest Region	

Signatures

/s/ Laura P. Moon as Attorney-in-Fact for Thomas R. Prescott
 Signature: _____ Date: 02/12/2018

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Such shares were granted without restriction pursuant to the performance share component of the 2015-2017 Long Term Incentive Compensation plan.
- (2) In connection with the grant of the unrestricted stock award (7,363 shares) on February 8, 2018, 2,437 shares were forfeited by the employee and delivered to the Company to satisfy tax withholding obligations.

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