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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MCDOWELL FRANK C						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Piedmont Office Realty Trust, Inc. [PDM]										nip of Reporting Person(s) to Issu oplicable)			
(Last)	•	(First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/02/2013									Officer (give title below)		Other (specify below)	
11695 JOHNS CREEK PARKWAY STE. 350						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Application)				
(Street) JOHNS CREEK GA 30097															X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(Sta	ate) (Z	Zip)																
		Tabl	e I - N	on-Deriv	ative S	ecu	rities	s Acq	uired, [Disp	osed o	f, or	Bene	ficia	lly Ow	ned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day				y/Year)	Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired Disposed Of (D) (Instr. and 5)						Sec Ben Owi	mount of urities eficially ned owing	6. Owner Form: Di (D) or Indirect (Instr. 4)	rect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Rep Tra	orted nsaction(s) tr. 3 and 4)	(111341 : 4)		(111301. 4)
Common Stock 04/02/2					2013				A		2,568	3	A	\$0		31,688			
	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)	ivative Conversion Date urity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any				ransaction of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		ount	8. Price of Derivativ Security (Instr. 5)	Beneficially	Owne Form Direc or Ind (I) (In 4)	: t (D) direct	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

/s/ Laura P. Moon as Attorneyin-Fact for Frank C. McDowell 04/04/2013

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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