Piedmont Office Realty Trust, Inc. Form 8-K January 14, 2015

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 13, 2015

Piedmont Office Realty Trust, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File Number: 001-34626

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 58-2328421 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

11695 Johns Creek Parkway Suite 350 Johns Creek, GA 30097-1523 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

770-418-8800 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

(d) Appointment of Donald S. Moss as Director

On January 13, 2015, the Board of Directors of Piedmont Office Realty Trust, Inc. (the "Registrant") appointed Donald S. Moss to serve as a director of the Registrant beginning on January 13, 2015.

Mr. Moss will serve as a member of the Audit Committee and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board of Directors and his compensation as a director will be provided on the same basis as that provided to the Registrant's other non-employee directors, as outlined in the Registrant's most recent Annual Proxy Statement as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 1, 2014.

Mr. Moss previously served as a director of the Registrant and is being re-appointed to fulfill the board vacancy that resulted from the death of the Registrant's Chairman of the Board, W. Wayne Woody, on January 9, 2015, as further described in the press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits:

Exhibit No.Description99.1Press Release dated January 14, 2015 announcing the death of Board Chairman, W. Wayne
Woody

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Piedmont Office Realty Trust, Inc.

Date: January 14, 2015

By: /s/ Laura P. Moon Laura P. Moon Chief Accounting Officer and Senior Vice President

EXHIBIT INDEX

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