

Digital Realty Trust, Inc.  
Form 4  
August 16, 2016

**FORM 4**

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
MOHEBBI AFSHIN

(Last) (First) (Middle)

FOUR EMBARCADERO  
CENTER, SUITE 3200

(Street)

SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
Digital Realty Trust, Inc. [DLR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
08/10/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify  
below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                       |                                         |                                                             |                                      | (A)<br>or<br>(D)                                                           |                                                                                                                    |                                                                      |                                                                   |
|                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V                                                                          | Amount                                                                                                             | (D)                                                                  | Price                                                             |

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<br>Derivative<br>Security | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any | 4. Transaction<br>Code | 5. Number<br>of Derivative<br>Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Derivative<br>Securities |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
|                                       |                              |                                         |                                         |                        |                                          |                                                                |                                                                     |                             |

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| (Instr. 3)                                     | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) |       |     |                     |                    |                 |  |                                        | (Instr. 9) |
|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--|----------------------------------------|------------|
|                                                |                                    |                  | Code       | V                                                                   | (A)   | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title           |  | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |            |
| Long-Term<br>Incentive<br>Units <sup>(1)</sup> | <u>(2)</u>                         | 08/10/2016       | A          |                                                                     | 1,070 |     | <u>(1)</u>          | <u>(3)</u>         | Common<br>Stock |  | 1,070                                  |            |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                     | Relationships |           |         |       |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|                                                                                    | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| MOHEBBI AFSHIN<br>FOUR EMBARCADERO CENTER<br>SUITE 3200<br>SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Salini Nandipati, as attorney  
in fact

08/16/2016

\_\_\_\_\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date \_\_\_\_\_

### Explanation of Responses:

- |     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| *   | If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, <i>see</i> Instruction 4(b)(v).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| **  | Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. <i>See</i> 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| (1) | <p>Long-Term Incentive Units are profits interest units in Digital Realty Trust, L.P. ("Operating Partnership"), of which Issuer is the general partner. Profits interest units may initially not have full parity with common limited partnership units of the Operating Partnership ("Common Units") with respect to liquidating distributions; however upon the occurrence of specified events, profits interest units may achieve full parity with Common Units for all purposes. These units were fully vested on the grant date. Vested profits interest units that have achieved full parity with Common Units may be converted into an equal number of Common Units on a 1-for-1 basis at any time. Common Units are redeemable for cash based on the FMV of an equivalent number of shares of common stock of Issuer or, at the election of Issuer, for an equal number of shares of Issuer's common stock, subject to adjustment in the event of stock splits, specified extraordinary distributions or similar events.</p> |
| (2) | 1-for-1                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| (3) | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

**Remarks:**

This statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities ("Form 4") of the Issuer is filed to report information that is also

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