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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Foust Michael F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Digital Realty Trust, Inc. [DLR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

(Last)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director

10% Owner Other (specify

560 MISSION STREET, SUITE

2900

(City)

(Month/Day/Year) 05/07/2012

X_ Officer (give title below)

CEO and Director

(Street)

(State)

(First)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securiti on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	posed and 3 (A) or	of (D) 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	05/07/2012		Code V $M_{\underline{(1)}}$	Amount 25,000	(D)	Price (2)	99,547	D	
Common Stock	05/07/2012		S	25,000	D	\$ 73.67 (3)	74,547	D	

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of on 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Long-Term Incentive Units (2)	<u>(4)</u>	05/07/2012		M <u>(1)</u>	25,000	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	25,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
• 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Foust Michael F						
560 MISSION STREET, SUITE 2900	X		CEO and Director			
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105						

Signatures

/s/ Barbara Polster, attorney-in-fact 05/09/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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) The reporting person converted long-term incentive units into common limited partnership units ("Common Units") of Digital Realty

 Trust, L.P., a Maryland Limited Partnership (the "Operating Partnership"), and subsequently redeemed the Common Units for shares of the common stock of Digital Realty Trust, Inc. (the "Issuer"), all in accordance with the requirements of the Limited Partnership

 Agreement of the Operating Partnership.
 - Long-term incentive units are profits interest units in the Operating Partnership. Vested profits interest units may be converted into an equal number of Common Units in the Operating Partnership on a one-for-one basis at any time. Common Units are redeemable for
- cash based on the fair market value of an equivalent number of shares of the Issuer's common stock, or, at the election of the Issuer, for an equal number of shares of the Issuer's common stock, subject to adjustment in the event of stock splits, stock dividends, issuance of stock rights, specified extraordinary distributions or similar events.
- (3) Represents the average sale price. Exact sale prices range from \$73.36 to \$73.87.
- (**4**) 1 for 1.
- (5) N/A

Remarks:

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