EARLEY KATHLEEN

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FORM 4

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

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

EARLEY KATHLEEN

(First) (Middle)

560 MISSION STREET, SUITE

2900

(Street)

(Month/Day/Year) 04/28/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Digital Realty Trust, Inc. [DLR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

below)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

Other (specify

5. Amount of

Securities

Beneficially

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

Issuer

X_ Director

Officer (give title

SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105

(State)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

or

Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

7. Nature of 6. Ownership Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership

(Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

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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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

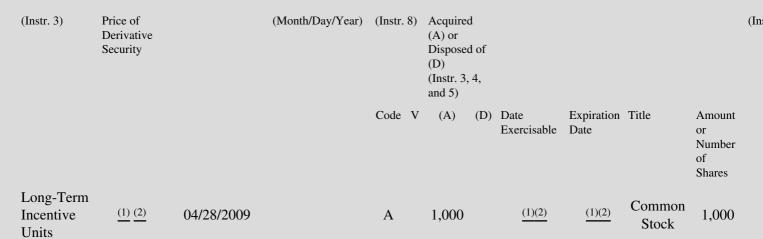
Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. l Underlying Securities De (Instr. 3 and 4) Sec

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

EARLEY KATHLEEN
560 MISSION STREET, SUITE 2900 X
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105

Signatures

/s/ Barbara Polster, attorney-in-fact 04/30/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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Long-term incentive units are partnership interests in Digital Realty Trust, L.P., a Maryland limited partnership of which the issuer is the general partner (the "Operating Partnership"). Twenty percent of these units will vest on April 28, 2010, an additional 20% will vest on

- (1) April 28, 2011, an additional 30% will vest on April 28, 2012 and an additional 30% will vest on April 28, 2013, so that the award shall be fully vested as of April 28, 2013. Long-term incentive units receive the same quarterly distributions as common limited partnership units of the Operating Partnership ("Common Units"). (Continued on Footnote 2.)
 - Upon vesting, long-term incentive units may initially not have full parity with Common Units with respect to liquidating distributions; however, upon the occurrence of specified events, long-term incentive units may achieve full parity with Common Units for all purposes, and thereafter vested long-term incentive units may be converted into an equal number of Common Units on a one-for-one basis at any time. Common Units will be redeemable for cash based on the fair market value of an equivalent number of shares of the issuer's common
- time. Common Units will be 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, in each case, subject to adjustment in the event of stock splits, stock dividends, issuance of stock rights, specified extraordinary distributions or similar events.

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