

CHAPMAN LAURENCE A
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 CHAPMAN LAURENCE A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

560 MISSION STREET, SUITE
 2900

(Street)

SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 05/05/2008

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)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (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 Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Derivative Securities
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Instr. 9)	(Instr. 10)	(Instr. 11)	(Instr. 12)	(Instr. 13)	(Instr. 14)	(Instr. 15)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Long-Term Incentive Units	<u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>	05/05/2008		A		1,000		<u>(1)(2)</u>	<u>(1)(2)</u>	Common Stock	1,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CHAPMAN LAURENCE A 560 MISSION STREET, SUITE 2900 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105		X		

Signatures

/s/Barbara Polster,
attorney-in-fact

05/07/2008

__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).

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 May 5, 2009, an additional 20% will vest on
- (1) May 5, 2010, an additional 30% will vest on May 5, 2011 and an additional 30% will vest on May 5, 2012, so that the award shall be fully vested as of May 5, 2012. 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 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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