Crosby Christopher James JR Form 4 March 09, 2011

# FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Crosby Christopher James JR			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
			Digital Realty Trust, Inc. [DLR]			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
560 MISSION STREET, SUITE 2900 (Street)			03/07/2011	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
				SVP, Corporate Development		
			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

	(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
;	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
	Common Stock	03/07/2011		M	3,334	A	\$ 20.37	3,334	D	
	Common Stock	03/07/2011		S	3,334	D	\$ 57	0	D	
	Common Stock	03/07/2011		M	2,567	A	\$ 41.73	2,567	D	
	Common Stock	03/07/2011		S	2,567	D	\$ 57	0	D	
	Common Stock	03/07/2011		M(1)	15,002	A	<u>(2)</u>	15,002	D	

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Common 03/07/2011 S 57.01 0 15,002 D D Stock

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 (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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acq or D (D)	urities uired (A) Disposed of tr. 3, 4,	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 Share
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.37	03/07/2011		M		3,334	<u>(4)</u>	11/08/2015	Common Stock	3,334
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 41.73	03/07/2011		M		2,567	<u>(5)</u>	05/02/2017	Common Stock	2,567
Long-Term Incentive Units (2)	<u>(6)</u>	03/07/2011		M(1)		15,002	(2)	<u>(7)</u>	Common Stock	15,002

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Crosby Christopher James JR 560 MISSION STREET, SUITE 2900 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105			SVP, Corporate Development					

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### **Signatures**

/s/ Barbara Polster, attorney-in-fact

03/09/2011

\*\*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).
- Christopher Crosby converted 15,002 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 15,002 Common

  Units for 15,002 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 membership interests in the Operating Partnership, of which the Issuer is the general partner. Long-term incentive units receive the same quarterly distributions as Common Units. 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.
- (3) Represents the average sale price. Exact sale prices range from \$57.00 to 57.10.
- (4) Twenty percent of the option shares vested on November 8, 2006; thereafter 1/60th vest monthly so that the option became fully vested on the fifth anniversary of the grant date.
- (5) Twenty percent of the option shares vested on May 2, 2008; thereafter 1/60th vest monthly so that the option will be fully vested on the fifth anniversary of the grant date.
- **(6)** 1 for 1.
- (7) N/A

#### **Remarks:**

This statement of changes in beneficial ownership ("Form 4") of securities of the Issuer is being filed to report a transaction th Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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