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Section 1: 4 (FORM 4 - A. W. STEIN (OPTION EXERCISE AND HOLD))

FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *	2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
Stein A William	Digital Realty Trust, Inc. [DLR]	____ Director ____ 10% Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 560 MISSION STREET, SUITE 2900	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/18/2012	__X__ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below) CFO and CIO
(Street) SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)	**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	05/18/2012		M		551	A	$41.73	7,517	D	

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)		5. Number of 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)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	$41.73	05/18/2012		M			551	05/02/2008 (1)	05/02/2017	Common Stock	551	$ 0	0	D	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Stein A William 560 MISSION STREET, SUITE 2900			CFO and CIO	

SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105				

Signatures

/s/ Barbara Polster, attorney-in-fact	05/22/2012
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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(1) Twenty percent of the option shares vested on May 2, 2008; thereafter 1/60th vested monthly so that the option vested fully on the fifth anniversary of the grant date.

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