

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA  
ATLANTA DIVISION

In Re Wells Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc. Securities Litigation
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Civil Action No. 1:07-cv-00862-CAP

CLASS ACTION

In Re Piedmont Office Realty Trust Inc. Securities Litigation
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Civil Action No. 1:07-cv-02660-CAP

CLASS ACTION

**PROOF OF CLAIM**

**GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

To recover as a member of the Class based on your claim in these actions (the "Litigation"), you must complete, sign and return this Proof of Claim. If you fail to file a properly addressed (as set forth below) Proof of Claim, your claim may be rejected and you may be precluded from any recovery from the Net Settlement Fund created in connection with the proposed Settlements of the Actions.

Submission of this Proof of Claim, however, does not assure that you will share in the proceeds of the Settlements of these Actions.

**YOU MUST MAIL YOUR COMPLETED AND SIGNED PROOF OF CLAIM POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE JUNE 1, 2013, ADDRESSED AS FOLLOWS:**

*In Re Wells Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc. Securities Litigation*  
*In Re Piedmont Office Realty Trust Inc. Securities Litigation*  
c/o Heffler Claims Administration  
PO Box 470  
Philadelphia, PA 19105  
800-379-6239

If you are NOT a member of the Classes as defined in the Notice of Pendency and Proposed Settlement of Class Actions ("Notice"), DO NOT submit a Proof of Claim.

If you are a member of the Classes and have not validly requested to be excluded from the Settlements, you are bound by the terms of any Judgments entered in the Actions, including the Release included in the Stipulations of Settlement, WHETHER OR NOT YOU SUBMIT A PROOF OF CLAIM FORM.

**CLAIMANT IDENTIFICATION**

If you purchased Piedmont shares and held the securities in your name, you are the beneficial owner as well as the record owner. If, however, the securities were registered in the name of a third-party, such as a nominee or brokerage firm through which you purchased the stock, you are the beneficial purchaser and the third-party is the record purchaser.

Use Part I of this form entitled "Claimant Identification" to identify each beneficial owner and record owner (if different from the beneficial owner) of Piedmont shares on whose behalf the claim is submitted. This Claim must be filed by the actual beneficial owner(s) or the legal representative of such owner(s).

All joint owners must sign this claim. Executors, administrators, guardians, conservators and trustees must complete and sign this claim on behalf of Persons represented by them, and evidence of their authority must accompany this claim and their titles or capacities must be stated. The last four digits of the Social Security (or taxpayer identification) number and telephone number of the beneficial owner may be used in verifying the claim. Failure to provide the foregoing information could delay verification of your claim or result in rejection of the claim.

**CLAIM FORM**

Use Part II of this form entitled "Schedule of Ownership in Piedmont Securities" to supply all required details of your transaction(s) in Piedmont shares.

**Broker confirmations, brokerage statements reflecting your purchases or ownership or other documentation of your transactions in Piedmont shares should be attached to your claim. Failure to provide this documentation could delay verification of your claim or result in rejection of your claim.**

The above requests are designed to provide the minimum amount of information necessary to process the simplest claims. The Claims Administrator may request additional information as required to efficiently and reliably calculate the amount of your claim. In some cases where the Claims Administrator cannot perform the calculation accurately or at a reasonable cost to the Classes with the information provided, the Claims Administrator may condition acceptance of the claim upon the production of additional information that it may, in its discretion, require to process the claim.

**ACCURATE CLAIMS PROCESSING TAKES A  
SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF TIME.  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE.**

**Reminder Checklist:**

1. Please remember to sign the Proof of Claim form.
2. Remember to attach supporting documentation, and please sign and print/type your name on each additional sheet.
3. Do not send original or copies of stock certificates.
4. Keep a copy of your claim form for your records.
5. If you desire an acknowledgment of receipt of your Proof of Claim form, please send it Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested.
6. If you move after submitting your Proof of Claim form, please send your new address to the Claims Administrator.

**PROOF OF CLAIM**

Must Be Postmarked No Later Than:

June 1, 2013

Please Type or Print

**PART I: CLAIMANT IDENTIFICATION**

LABEL NO:

Correct the record name of shareholder and address (if different from information on left):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Area Code Telephone No. (Day)

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Area Code Telephone No. (Evening)

E-Mail:

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Social Security Number (for individuals)

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OR

Employer Identification Number (for estates, trusts, corps, etc.)

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Check appropriate entity:

Individual  Corporation  Joint Owners  IRA  Trust  Estate  Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

If you are a bank or other institution filing on behalf of a third-party, and an account number is needed to identify the Claimant for your records, indicate the account number here: \_\_\_\_\_

Record Owner's Name: (if different from beneficial owner listed above)

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**PART II: SCHEDULE OF OWNERSHIP IN PIEDMONT SECURITIES**

**REMINDER:** In January 2010, Piedmont completed a share recapitalization which had the effect of a 1-for-3 reverse stock split. For example, if you held 300 shares of Piedmont as of February 20, 2007, in January 2010, those shares were converted to 100 shares of Piedmont. This form requests the number of shares you held as of various dates in 2007, without you giving effect to the recapitalization.

Please review and verify the accuracy and completeness of the following information. Note any changes in the space provided and enclose supporting documentation with this form.

**A. WELLS ACTION:**

Number of Piedmont shares held at the close of business on February 20, 2007:

\_\_\_\_\_ (must be documented if you disagree)

**B. PIEDMONT ACTION – TENDER OFFER CLASS:**

i) Number of shares held at the close of business on May 25, 2007: \_\_\_\_\_

ii) Number of shares listed above that were sold, transferred or redeemed between May 25, 2007 and July 20, 2007:

iii) Number of shares held at the close of business on July 20, 2007: \_\_\_\_\_

**C. PIEDMONT ACTION – PROXY CLASS:**

Number of Piedmont shares held at the close of business on October 2, 2007: \_\_\_\_\_



Use scissors to remove Proof of Claim and return to: Heffler Claims Administrator



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## FIRST CLASS MAIL

### PLEASE FORWARD—IMPORTANT LEGAL NOTICE

#### PART III: SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION OF COURT AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

I (We) submit this Proof of Claim under the terms of the Stipulations of Settlement described in the Notice. I (We) also submit to the jurisdiction of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia, Atlanta Division, with respect to my (our) claim as a Class Member (as defined in the Notice). I (We) further acknowledge that I am (we are) bound by and subject to the terms of any judgments that may be entered in the Litigation. I (We) agree to furnish additional information to Lead Counsel or the Claims Administrator to support this claim if required to do so. I (We) have not submitted any other claim covering the same Piedmont shares and know of no other Person having done so on my (our) behalf.

I (We) hereby warrant and represent that I (we) have not assigned or transferred or purported to assign or transfer, voluntarily or involuntarily, any matter released pursuant to this Release or any other part or portion thereof.

I (we) certify that I am (we are) NOT subject to backup withholding under the provisions of Section 3406(a)(1) (c) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Note: If you have been notified by the Internal Revenue Service that you are subject to backup withholding, please strike out the language that you are not subject to backup withholding in the certification above.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of \_\_\_\_\_ that the foregoing information supplied by the undersigned is true and correct and that this Proof of Claim was executed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2013 in \_\_\_\_\_  
(City, State)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Sign your name here)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Type of Print your name here)

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(Joint Owner sign your name here)

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(Joint Owner type or print your name here)