CORPORATE OFFICE PROPERTIES TRUST

Form 8-K July 28, 2016

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported) July 22, 2016

CORPORATE OFFICE PROPERTIES TRUST

CORPORATE OFFICE PROPERTIES, L.P.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Corporate Office Properties Trust Maryland 1-14023 23-2947217

(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File (IRS Employer incorporation or organization) Number) Identification No.)

Corporate Office Properties, L.P. Delaware 333-189188 23-2930022

(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File (IRS Employer incorporation or organization) Number) Identification No.)

6711 Columbia Gateway Drive, Suite 300

Columbia, Maryland 21046

(Address of principal executive offices)

(443) 285-5400

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2 below):

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On July 22, 2016, Corporate Office Properties Trust (the "Company" or the "Registrant") determined that Karen M. Singer, the Company's Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, will depart the Company to pursue other interests, effective August 31, 2016.

The Company and its operating partnership, Corporate Office Properties, L.P. (the "Operating Partnership"), have entered into a Separation Agreement with Ms. Singer, dated as of July 26, 2016, pursuant to the terms of (i) the Letter Agreement, dated June 2, 2015, between Ms. Singer, the Company and the Operating Partnership, and (ii) the Company's Executive Change in Control and Severance Plan (the "Plan"). Pursuant to the Separation Agreement, Ms. Singer will execute a Release Agreement on her departure date. The Separation Agreement is filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(a) Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired

None

(b) Pro Forma Financial Information

None

(c) Shell Company Transactions

None

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit Number Exhibit Title

Separation Agreement, dated July 26, 2016, between Corporate Office Properties Trust, Corporate Office Properties, L.P., and Karen M. Singer.

SIGNATURES

Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrants have duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CORPORATE OFFICE PROPERTIES TRUST CORPORATE OFFICE PROPERTIES, L.P.

By: Corporate Office Properties Trust,

its General Partner

/s/ Anthony Mifsud
Anthony Mifsud
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Anthony Mifsud

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Executive Vice President and Chief Financial

Officer

Dated: July 28, 2016 Dated: July 28, 2016

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