#### CORPORATE OFFICE PROPERTIES TRUST

Form 8-K

September 24, 2014

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

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FORM 8-K

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### **CURRENT REPORT**

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

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported) September 22, 2014

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 File (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 (IRS Employer

File (INS 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):

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

The Board of Trustees (the "Board") of Corporate Office Properties Trust (the "Company"), a Maryland real estate investment trust, has adopted a resolution to opt out of Section 3-803 of the Maryland General Corporation Law, which permits the board of trustees of a Maryland real estate investment trust to elect to divide its board into classes. The Board resolution is irrevocable unless it is first approved by the shareholders of the Company by the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast on the matter by shareholders entitled to vote generally in the election of trustees. On September 22, 2014, the Company filed the Articles Supplementary, attached hereto as Exhibit 3.1, to the charter of the Company with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland.

The description set forth above is only a summary of the Articles Supplementary and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the text of the Articles Supplementary, which is attached as Exhibit 3.1 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference into this Item 5.03.

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

3.1 Articles Supplementary filed with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of

Maryland on September 22, 2014

### **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/ Stephen E. Riffee /s/ Stephen E. Riffee Stephen E. Riffee Stephen E. Riffee

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

Officer

Dated: September 24, 2014 Dated: September 24, 2014

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