

CORPORATE OFFICE PROPERTIES TRUST  
Form 8-K  
March 07, 2007

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, DC 20549

**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) **March 7, 2007 (March 1, 2007)**

**CORPORATE OFFICE PROPERTIES TRUST**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Maryland**  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**1-14023**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**23-2947217**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification Number)

**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 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.**

On March 1, 2007, the Registrant's Board of Trustees approved amendments to Article VII, Sections 1 and 2 of the Registrant's Bylaws (the Bylaws) to provide for the issuance of shares of beneficial interest of the Registrant without certificates therefor. The amendment was made in order to respond to the New York Stock Exchange's enactment of a rule which mandates that all listed companies, such as the Registrant, become eligible to participate in the Direct Registration System (DRS) no later than January 1, 2008. By enabling the Registrant to issue shares of beneficial interest without certificates therefor, the amendments to the Bylaws enable the Registrant to participate in the DRS.

The amended Bylaws are effective as of March 1, 2007 and are attached as Exhibit 3(ii) to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

**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**

3(ii)

**Exhibit Title**

Corporate Office Properties Trust Bylaws, as amended on March 1, 2007

**SIGNATURES**

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

Date: March 7, 2007

CORPORATE OFFICE PROPERTIES TRUST

By: /s/ Roger A. Waesche, Jr.  
Name: Roger A. Waesche, Jr.  
Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer

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