

COLUMBIA PROPERTY TRUST, INC.

Form 4

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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Mills E Nelson

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ONE GLENLAKE  
PARKWAY, SUITE 1200

(Street)

ATLANTA, GA 30328

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
COLUMBIA PROPERTY TRUST, INC. [CXP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/21/2014

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |                           |        |   |  |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|---------------------------|--------|---|--|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V   | Amount   | (A) or (D)                                 | Price                     |        |   |  |
| Common Stock                    | 01/21/2014                           |  | A                              |   | 67,907<br><u>(1)</u>  | A  |  | \$<br>23.88<br><u>(1)</u> | 71,165 | D |  |
| Common Stock                    | 01/21/2014                           |  | F                              |   | 5,646   | D  |  | \$<br>24.82               | 65,519 | 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. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code V (A) (D)                 |   | Date Exercisable Expiration Date                         | Title Number of Shares  |  |  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Mills E Nelson<br>ONE GLENLAKE PARKWAY<br>SUITE 1200<br>ATLANTA, GA 30328 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ James A. Fleming,  
Attorney-in-Fact

01/23/2014

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
  - \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- Award made in accordance with the Columbia Property Trust, Inc. 2013 Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). The number of shares granted pursuant to the award and the Plan was determined using a price per share equal to the average of the closing prices of the common stock on the ten trading days prior to the grant date (which also equals the price disclosed in this Form 4). 25% of the total amount of shares awarded vested on the grant date, 25% will vest on January 31, 2015, 25% will vest on January 31, 2016, and 25% will vest on January 31, 2017.

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