

Report of Organizational Actions Affecting Basis of Securities

▶ See separate instructions.

Part I Reporting Issuer		
1 Issuer's name COLUMBIA PROPERTY TRUST, INC.		2 Issuer's employer identification number (EIN) 20-0068852
3 Name of contact for additional information AMY KIROUAC	4 Telephone No. of contact 404-465-2200	5 Email address of contact SHAREHOLDERS@COLUMBIA.REIT
6 Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) of contact 1170 PEACHTREE STREET NE, SUITE 600		7 City, town, or post office, state, and ZIP code of contact ATLANTA, GA 30309
8 Date of action	9 Classification and description DISTRIBUTIONS ON COMMON STOCK	
10 CUSIP number 198287 203	11 Serial number(s)	12 Ticker symbol CXP
		13 Account number(s)

Part II Organizational Action Attach additional statements if needed. See back of form for additional questions.

14 Describe the organizational action and, if applicable, the date of the action or the date against which shareholders' ownership is measured for the action ▶

COLUMBIA PROPERTY TRUST, INC. MADE QUARTERLY DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS DURING 2017. A PORTION OF THE DISTRIBUTIONS REPRESENTED A NONDIVIDEND DISTRIBUTION. THE DISTRIBUTIONS WERE PAID ON 01/05/2017 TO SHAREHOLDERS OF RECORD AS OF 12/01/2016; PAID ON 03/15/2017 TO SHAREHOLDERS OF RECORD AS OF 03/01/2017; PAID ON 06/15/2017 TO SHAREHOLDERS OF RECORD AS 06/01/2017; PAID ON 09/15/2017 TO SHAREHOLDERS OF RECORD AS OF 09/01/2017.

15 Describe the quantitative effect of the organizational action on the basis of the security in the hands of a U.S. taxpayer as an adjustment per share or as a percentage of old basis ▶

THE PORTION OF THE DISTRIBUTION THAT IS CLASSIFIED AS NONDIVIDEND DISTRIBUTION REDUCES THE BASIS IN THE ENTITY AS FOLLOWS.

PAYMENT DATE:	REDUCTION OF BASIS PER SHARE
01/05/2017	\$0.12
03/15/2017	\$0.08
06/15/2017	\$0.08
09/15/2017	\$0.08

16 Describe the calculation of the change in basis and the data that supports the calculation, such as the market values of securities and the valuation dates ▶

COLUMBIA PROPERTY TRUST, INC. CALCULATED EARNINGS AND PROFITS IN ACCORDANCE WITH IRC SECTION 312, AS MODIFIED BY IRC SECTION 857(d) FOR A REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST, AND REGULATIONS THEREUNDER. THE AMOUNT OF DISTRIBUTIONS IN EXCESS OF EARNING AND PROFITS REDUCE THE SHAREHOLDER'S BASIS IN ITS SHARES TO THE EXTENT OF BASIS.

Part II Organizational Action (continued)

17 List the applicable Internal Revenue Code section(s) and subsection(s) upon which the tax treatment is based ▶
NONDIVIDEND DISTRIBUTION IS DETERMINED PURSUANT TO IRC SECTION 301(c).

18 Can any resulting loss be recognized? ▶
NO RESULTING GAIN CAN BE RECOGNIZED.

19 Provide any other information necessary to implement the adjustment, such as the reportable tax year ▶
THE REPORTABLE YEAR IS 2017.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here Signature ▶  Date ▶ 1/30/2018

Print your name ▶ JAMES A. FLEMING Title ▶ CFO & EXECUTIVE VP

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	Firm's name ▶				Firm's EIN ▶
	Firm's address ▶				Phone no.