

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 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):

April 1, 2022 (March 29, 2022)

**Arbor Realty Trust, Inc.**

(EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

MARYLAND  
(STATE OF INCORPORATION)

001-32136  
(COMMISSION FILE NUMBER)

20-0057959  
(IRS EMPLOYER ID. NUMBER)

333 Earle Ovington Boulevard, Suite 900  
Uniondale, New York  
(ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES)

11553  
(ZIP CODE)

(516) 506-4200  
(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:

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<u>Title of each class</u>	<u>Trading symbols</u>	<u>Name of each exchange on which registered</u>
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	ABR	New York Stock Exchange
Preferred Stock, 6.375% Series D Cumulative Redeemable, par value \$0.01 per share	ABR-PD	New York Stock Exchange
Preferred Stock, 6.25% Series E Cumulative Redeemable, par value \$0.01 per share	ABR-PE	New York Stock Exchange
Preferred Stock, 6.25% Series F Fixed-to-Floating Rate Cumulative Redeemable, par value \$0.01 per share	ABR-PF	New York Stock Exchange

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

*Departure of Director – Archie Dykes*

On March 30, 2022, Archie Dykes notified Arbor Realty Trust, Inc. (the “Company”) of his decision to retire and not stand for re-election to the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of the Company at the 2022 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the “Annual Meeting”). Dr. Dykes retirement will be effective immediately after the conclusion of the Annual Meeting.

*Departure of Director – George Tsunis*

On March 29, 2022, in connection with his appointment by President Biden to become the next Ambassador to Greece for the United States of America, Mr. Tsunis informed the Company of his resignation from the Board effective on April 2, 2022.

Dr. Dykes and Mr. Tsunis’s resignations were not the result of any disagreement with the Company on any matter relating to the Company’s operations, policies or practices.

The Company thanks Dr. Dykes and Mr. Tsunis for their many years of service on the Board and their many valuable contributions to the Company. Dr. Dykes and Mr. Tsunis have served as directors of the Company since 2006 and 2016, respectively.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) *Exhibits*

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Exhibit</b>
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File - the cover page XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document.

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**SIGNATURE**

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.

ARBOR REALTY TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ Paul Elenio

Name: Paul Elenio

Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date: April 1, 2022

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