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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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<b>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*</b> <u>ARBOR COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE LLC</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O ARBOR REALTY TRUST</u> <u>333 EARLE OVINGTON BLVD, SUITE 900</u>  (Street) <u>UNIONDALE NY 11553</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	<b>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</b> <u>ARBOR REALTY TRUST INC [ ABR ]</u>	<b>5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</b> (Check all applicable)  Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner  Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	<b>3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)</b> <u>05/24/2021</u>	
	<b>4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)</b>	

**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Special Voting Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	05/24/2021		j <sup>(1)</sup>		1,190,000	D	(1)	10,711,068	D	

**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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Partnership Common Units	(1)	05/24/2021		j <sup>(1)</sup>			1,190,000	(2)	(2)	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	1,190,000	(1)	10,711,068	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- On May 24, 2021, Arbor Commercial Mortgage, LLC ("ACM") distributed 1,190,000 Partnership Common Units ("OP Units") and Special Voting Preferred Stock ("Preferred Shares") with a fair market value of approximately \$20.9 million to Lisa Kaufman in consideration of the liquidation of her membership interest in ACM, such liquidation made in accordance with the terms of a post-nuptial agreement between Mr. and Mrs. Kaufman. The fair market value was determined in accordance with ACM's Operating Agreement, using the average closing stock price of Arbor Realty Trust, Inc. (the "Company") from May 19, 2021 through May 21, 2021 of \$17.55 per share.
- Not applicable.

/s/ Paul Elenio, Chief Financial Officer of Arbor Commercial Mortgage, LLC. 05/25/2021

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* 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).

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