# 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): August 10, 2015

### Brandywine Realty Trust Brandywine Operating Partnership, L.P.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Maryland (Brandywine Realty Trust)

001-9106

23-2413352

Delaware (Brandywine Operating Partnership, L.P.) **000-24407** (Commission file number)

23-2862640 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

555 East Lancaster Avenue, Suite 100 Radnor, PA 19087

(Address of principal executive offices)

(610) 325-5600

(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):

- [] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- 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))

#### **Item 8.01 Other Events**

On August 10, 2015, we granted a waiver of the ownership limitation in Article 6 of the Declaration of Trust of Brandywine Realty Trust (the "**Trust**") to permit Cohen & Steers Capital Management, Inc. ("**C&S**") to own up to 15.0% in value of the aggregate of the Trust's outstanding common shares of beneficial interest ("**Common Shares**") and outstanding series of preferred shares of beneficial interest designated "6.90% Series E Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares" ("**Preferred Shares**" and, together with the Common Shares, the "**Shares**"), as set forth in, and subject to the terms and conditions in, the "Representations, Warranties and Agreements of Cohen & Steers Capital Management, Inc.", the form of which is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 10.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

The waiver referred to above replaces a waiver we granted on June 27, 2003 that permitted C&S to own up to 15% of the outstanding Common Shares.

#### **Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

**Exhibits** 

10.1

Letter dated August 10, 2015 to Cohen & Steers Capital Management, Inc. relating to waiver of share ownership limit, including Representations, Warranties and Agreements of Cohen & Steers Capital Management, Inc.

#### **Signatures**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrants have duly caused this report to be signed on their behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

**Brandywine Realty Trust** 

By: /s/ Thomas E. Wirth
Thomas E. Wirth
Executive Vice President and Chief
Financial Officer

Brandywine Operating Partnership L.P., By: Brandywine Realty Trust, its sole General Partner

By: <u>/s/ Thomas E. Wirth</u>
Thomas E. Wirth
Executive Vice President and Chief
Financial Officer

Date: August 10, 2015

## REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES AND AGREEMENTS OF

#### COHEN & STEERS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, INC.

The undersigned hereby certifies to Brandywine Realty Trust, a Maryland real estate investment trust (the "Company"), that he is the duly appointed Executive Vice President of Cohen & Steers Capital Management, Inc., a New York corporation ("C&S"), and on behalf of C&S, pursuant to due authorization, does further hereby certify, represent, warrant, and agree that:

- 1. C&S understands that the representations, warranties and agreements contained herein are made in order to obtain an exception for C&S to the ownership limitations (the "Ownership Limit") set forth in the Declaration of Trust, as amended to date (the "Articles"), of the Company. Such exception, which is sought with respect to the common shares of beneficial interest of the Company (the "Common Shares") and the series of preferred shares of beneficial interest of the Company designated "6.90% Series E Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares" (the "Series E Preferred Shares" and, together with the Common Shares, the "Shares"), will allow C&S to be a "beneficial owner," as defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (a "Rule 13d-3 Owner"), of up to, but not in excess of, 15.0% of the value of all outstanding Shares (the "C&S Shares").
- 2. C&S's ownership, as a Rule 13d-3 Owner, of the C&S Shares will not result in any Individual being the Tax Owner of Shares in excess of 9.8% of the value of all outstanding Shares. As used herein, the term "Tax Owner" of Shares shall mean the person who is considered to own such Shares applying the rules of Section 856(h) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code"), including the relevant provisions of Section 542(a)(2) and Section 544 as modified by Section 856(h) of the Code. The term "Individual" shall mean a natural person or an organization treated as an individual under the provisions of Section 542(a)(2) of the Code, applying the relevant rules of Section 856(h) of the Code.
- Neither C&S nor any Investor owns directly or indirectly any stock or other equity interest in excess of 9.8% in any Tenant. The term "Investor" means any owner of C&S or any open-end or closed-end fund for which C&S or an affiliate acts as an investment advisor. The term "Tenant" means any entity that leases space from the Company or from any direct or indirect subsidiary partnership, corporation or limited liability company in which Company owns an interest. C&S shall notify the Company in the event that C&S or any Investor acquires any stock or other equity interest in excess of 9.8% in any Tenant.
- 4. C&S will not dispose of any of the C&S Shares in violation of the Ownership Limit or in a manner that would cause any Individual to be the Tax Owner of more than 9.8% of the value of all outstanding Shares.
- 5. C&S agrees that if, for any reason, (i) any of the above representations or warranties is violated, (ii) the ownership, as a Rule 13d-3 Owner, of the C&S Shares causes any Individual to be the Tax Owner of more than 9.8% of the value of all outstanding Shares,

(iii) C&S or any Investor acquires any stock or other equity interest in excess of 9.8% in any Tenant, or (iv) in the sole reasonable judgment of the Company, the ownership, as a Rule 13d-3 Owner, of the C&S Shares could otherwise jeopardize the Company's tax status as a real estate investment trust for federal income tax purposes, then the waiver of the ownership limits granted by the Company to C&S shall be deemed void ab initio and shall result in a conversion of all or a portion (as reasonably determined by the Company to be necessary) of the C&S Shares into Excess Shares under the Articles.

- 6. C&S understands that the foregoing exception to the Ownership Limit is only being granted to C&S, and not to any other person (including any of the Investors).
- 7. C&S agrees that solely with respect to any Shares for which C&S is the beneficial owner as defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, in excess of 9.8% of the value of all outstanding Shares, C&S shall not take any actions that are inconsistent with its status as an investment manager that is eligible to file a Form 13G under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 including the following:
  - a. Solicit proxies from shareholders of the Company, become a "participant" in any "election contest" (as such terms are used in Rule 14a-11 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended), with respect to the Company, or make any communication (other than as required by law) referred to in Rule 14a-1(l)(2)(iv) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, in connection with any election contest or other vote by shareholders of the Company or otherwise;
  - b. Vote for the removal of any member of the Board, except removal "for cause" as such term is used under Maryland law, except that this shall not limit C&S's ability to vote against the reelection of a Board member;
  - c. Call or seek to have called any meeting of the shareholders of the Company;
  - d. Otherwise act, alone or in concert with others to (i) solicit, propose, seek to effect or negotiate with any other person with respect to (A) any business combination with the Company or (B) any restructuring, recapitalization or similar transaction of the Company, (ii) solicit, propose, seek to effect or negotiate with any other person with respect to, or announce an intent to make, any tender offer or exchange offer for any voting securities of the Company, or (iii) assist, participate in, facilitate or solicit any effort or attempt by any persons to do or seek to do any of the foregoing.
- 8. C&S has not violated any of the terms of the Representations, Warranties and Agreements executed as of June 27, 2003 (the "2003 Waiver") and such 2003 Waiver shall automatically be superseded by this document.
- 9. The undersigned has the authority to execute this document on behalf of C&S.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have executed this certificate as of this 10th day of August, 2015.

Cohen & Steers Capital Management, Inc.

By: /s/ Thomas Bohjalin

Thomas Bohjalian

Executive Vice President

WAIVER OF OWNERSHIP LIMITS

[BRANDYWINE REALTY TRUST LETTERHEAD]

August 10, 2015

Cohen & Steers Capital Management, Inc. 280 Park Avenue

New York, New York 10017

Re: Share Ownership Limits

Reference is made to the Representations, Warranties and Agreements executed as of August 10, 2015 of Cohen & Steers

Capital Management, Inc. ("C&S") to Brandywine Realty Trust (the "Company"), containing certain representations, warranties and agreements, a copy of which is attached to this letter as Attachment I (the "Representation Letter"). Based upon the Representation Letter, the Company hereby advises you that an exception to the Ownership Limit referred to in the Representation Letter has been established for C&S under the Declaration of Trust of the Company effective as the date received on and subject to the terms, conditions and limitations set forth in the Representation Letter. The foregoing exception to the Ownership Limit supersedes the exception granted by the Company to C&S in a letter dated June 27, 2003 from the Company to C&S.

Very truly yours,

BRANDYWINE REALTY TRUST

By: /s/ Gerard H. Sweeney

Name: Gerard H. Sweeney

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer