ARBOR REALTY TRUST INC Form 8-K December 17, 2018

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):

December 17, 2018

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:
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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
o 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 o
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. O

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On December 17, 2018, Arbor Realty Trust, Inc. (the Company) announced that its Board of Directors declared a special dividend of \$0.15 per share of the Company s common stock (the Special Distribution), which will be paid in a combination of cash and shares of the Company s common stock on January 31, 2019 to common stockholders of record as of December 28, 2018. A copy of the press release announcing the Special Distribution is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated into this Item 8.01 by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit Number Exhibit

99.1 <u>Press release, dated December 17, 2018.</u>

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EXHIBIT INDEX

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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: December 17, 2018

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