

ARBOR REALTY TRUST INC  
Form 8-K  
December 20, 2010

**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 20, 2010**

**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)

(516) 832-8002

(REGISTRANT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE)

11553

(ZIP 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)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01 Other Events**

On December 20, 2010, Arbor Realty Trust, Inc. issued a press release announcing the partial repayment of a previously advanced incentive fee by its manager, Arbor Commercial Mortgage, LLC. A copy of the press release is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) *Exhibits*

99.1 Press Release, dated December 20, 2010.

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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 20, 2010

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number

99.1 Press Release, dated December 20, 2010.