QTS Realty Trust, Inc. Form 8-K February 25, 2019

## **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): February 25, 2019

# QTS Realty Trust, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

> 12851 Foster Street Overland Park, KS

**001-36109** (Commission File Number) 46-2809094 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

#### (913) 814-9988

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

#### Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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):

o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Emerging growth company O

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).

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.

QTS Realty Trust, Inc. (the Company ) is filing as Exhibit 99.1 (which is incorporated by reference herein) a description of the material U.S. federal income tax considerations relating to the Company s qualification and taxation as a real estate investment trust, or REIT, and the ownership and disposition of the Company s common stock, preferred stock, depositary shares, warrants and rights. The description contained in Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K replaces and supersedes prior descriptions of the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Company and its securityholders to the extent that they are inconsistent with the description contained in this Form 8-K.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.

Description

99.1 <u>Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations</u>

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#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: February 25, 2019

QTS Realty Trust, Inc.

By:

/s/ Shirley E. Goza Shirley E. Goza Secretary and General Counsel