

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST INC

Form 4

April 28, 2014

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Welter Jeremy

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST
INC [AHT]5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

14185 DALLAS
PARKWAY, SUITE 1100

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

04/23/2014

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

Executive VP-Asset Management

DALLAS, TX 75254

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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 | (D) | Price |

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction | 5. Number of Derivative | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities | 8 |
|---------------------------|---------------|---|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|--|---|---|
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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | S | | | | |
|---|---|-------------------------|--------------------|--|------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|----|
| | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Special Limited Partnership Units ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 0 | 04/23/2014 | A | | 60,000 | | <u>(2)</u> | <u>(3)</u> | Common Stock <u>(1)</u> | 60,000 | \$ |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|---|----------------------------------|
| | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| Welter Jeremy 14185 DALLAS PARKWAY SUITE 1100 DALLAS, TX 75254 | Executive VP-Asset Management |

Signatures

/s/ JEREMY
WELTER
04/28/2014
Date
Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- Special long-term incentive partnership units ("LTIP Units") in Ashford Hospitality Limited Partnership, the Issuer's operating subsidiary ("Subsidiary"). Vested LTIP Units, upon achieving parity with the Common Limited Partnership Units of the Subsidiary, are convertible
- (1) into Common Limited Partnership Units at the option of the Reporting Person. Common Limited Partnership Units are convertible into cash or, at the option of the Issuer, into shares of the Issuer's common stock on a 1-for-1 basis. The LTIP Units were issued under the Issuer's 2011 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (2) The LTIP Units reported herein vest and are convertible in three equal installments on April 23, 2015, (20,000 LTIP Units), April 23, 2016 (20,000 LTIP Units) and April 23, 2017 (20,000 LTIP Units), respectively.
- (3) The LTIP Units have no expiration date.
- (4) Per LTIP Unit purchase price.
- Includes LTIP Units previously granted to, and reported by, the Reporting Person having different grant and vesting dates, some of which
- (5) (i) may have achieved parity with the Common Limited Partnership Units, (ii) have not yet achieved parity with the Common Limited Partnership Units, (iii) are currently vested, or (iv) have not yet vested.

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