RLJ Lodging Trust Form 4 March 04, 2016

FORM 4

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

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

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Bierkan Ross H.			Symbol	Issuer
			RLJ Lodging Trust [RLJ]	(Check all applicable)
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Cheen all application)
C/O RLJ LODGING TRUST, 3 BETHESDA METRO CENTER, SUITE 1000			(Month/Day/Year) 03/02/2016	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Investment Officer

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

(Zip)

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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BETHESDA, MD 20814

(State)

(City)

1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities	Acquired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on(A) or Dispo	sed of (D)	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 aı	nd 5)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)			Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
						Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
						Reported		
				(A		Transaction(s)		
			~	0		(Instr. 3 and 4)		
			Code V	Amount (I) Price			
Common Shares	03/02/2016		F	894 <u>(1)</u> D	\$ 21.72	582,830	D	

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

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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

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				Code V	(A) (D)				hares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Bierkan Ross H. C/O RLJ LODGING TRUST 3 BETHESDA METRO CENTER, SUITE 1000 BETHESDA, MD 20814

Chief Investment Officer

Signatures

/s/ Anita Cooke Wells, Attorney-in-Fact

03/04/2016 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).
- Reflects common shares surrendered to the Issuer to satisfy tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of restricted common shares.

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