

Ansell Benjamin J MD
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Ansell Benjamin J MD

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)
 06/18/2018

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

DALLAS, TX 75254
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| Common Stock | | | | (A) or (D) Price | 52,800 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | (A) or (D) Price | 103,200 | I | By Ansell Family Trust |
| Common Stock | | | | (A) or (D) Price | 15,313.307 | I | By Benjamin J. Ansell, as Trustee FBO of Benjamin Ansell GST Trust under |

Agreement dated 1/2/2003

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 Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Special Limited Partnership Units ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 0 ⁽¹⁾ | 06/18/2018 | | A ⁽²⁾ | 12,839 | ⁽¹⁾ ⁽³⁾ | Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | ⁽¹⁾ \$ |
| Common Limited Partnership Units ⁽⁵⁾ | \$ 0 ⁽⁵⁾ | | | | | ⁽⁵⁾ ⁽³⁾ | Common Stock ⁽⁵⁾ | ⁽⁵⁾ |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Ansell Benjamin J MD 14185 DALLAS PARKWAY SUITE 1100 DALLAS, TX 75254 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ BENJAMIN J.
ANSELL, MD

06/20/2018

 **Signature of Reporting Person

 Date

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).

(1) 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 ("Common Units"), are convertible into Common Units at the option of the Reporting Person. *See* Footnote 5 discussing the convertibility of Common Units.

(2) The LTIP Units reported herein were issued as an annual award under the Issuer's 2011 Stock Incentive Plan after the Reporting Person's re-election to the Issuer's Board of Directors.

(3) Neither the LTIP Units nor the Common Units have an expiration date.

(4) Per LTIP Unit purchase price.

(5) Common Units are redeemable for cash or, at the option of the Issuer, convertible into shares of the Issuer's common stock based on a conversion ratio described in the Subsidiary Agreement Amendment (as defined below), which, on June 18, 2018, was 1.0 shares of the Issuer's common stock for each Common Unit.

(6) Includes adjustment from number of units previously reported from 16,151 to 14,861 to give effect to the adoption of Amendment No. 5 to the Seventh Amended and Restated Agreement of the Limited Partnership dated December 13, 2017 (the "Subsidiary Agreement Amendment"), which was adopted for the purpose of creating additional common partnership units of the Subsidiary and the recapitalization of the Common Units so that the Conversion Factor (as defined in the Subsidiary Agreement Amendment) became 1.0.

(7) Reflects the aggregate number of Common Units currently beneficially owned by the Reporting Person, some of which may have been converted from LTIP Units by the Reporting Person since the Reporting Person's most recent Form 4 or Form 5 filing. *See* Footnote 5 discussing the convertibility of the Common Units.

(8) Includes adjustment from number of units previously reported from 41,611 to 38,288 to give effect to the Subsidiary Agreement Amendment as further discussed in Footnote 6.

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