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FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Pacious Patrick | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHOICE HOTELS INTERNATIONAL INC /DE [CHH] | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|--------------|------------------|---------------------|---|--|--------------|
| (Last) 1 CHOICE | | | | f Earliest Transaction Day/Year) | | | | Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) President & CEO | | |
| | | | | nendment, Date Original onth/Day/Year) | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting | | |
| ROCKVILI (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | | | ~ | | Person | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year | ate 2A. Dee r) Execution | | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securi | ties A ispose | cquired d of (D) | 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 |
| Common Stock | 09/18/2018 | | | Code V M | Amount 4,800 | (D) | Price \$ 27.03 | 132,599 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/18/2018 | | | M | 2,400 | A | \$ 36.76 | 134,999 | D | |
| Common | 09/18/2018 | | | S (1) | 9.613 | D | \$ 82.02 | 125 386 | D | |

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

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 $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

| 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | of Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Y Acquired A) or Disposed of D) Instr. 3, 4, | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|--------------------|---|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 27.03 | 09/18/2018 | | M | 4,800 | (3) | 02/19/2019 | Common | 4,800 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 36.76 | 09/18/2018 | | M | 2,400 | <u>(4)</u> | 02/08/2020 | Common | 2,400 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 27.03 | 09/18/2018 | | M | 1,618 | (3) | 02/19/2019 | Common | 1,618 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|--|--|--|
| 1 8 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| Pacious Patrick 1 CHOICE HOTELS CIRCLE ROCKVILLE, MD 20850 | | | President & CEO | | | | |

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Bret L. Limage, attorney in fact

09/20/2018

**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) Sale made pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan.
- (2) Average price reflects a series of transactions between \$82.00 and \$82.15.
- (3) Options vested in four annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the February 19, 2012 grant date.
- (4) Options vested in four annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the February 8, 2013 grant date.

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