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Form 8-K April 09, 2014

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): April 9, 2014

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland 001-31775 86-1062192 (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) File Number) (IRS employer identification number)

14185 Dallas Parkway, Suite 1100

Dallas, Texas 75254
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (972) 490-9600

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ITEM 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On April 9, 2014, Ashford Hospitality Trust, Inc. ("Ashford Trust" or the "Company") issued a press release announcing that it it has priced its follow-on public offering of 7,500,000 shares of common stock at \$10.70 per share (the "Offering"). The Company has granted the underwriters a 30-day option to purchase up to an additional 1,125,000 shares of common stock. Settlement of the Offering is expected to occur on April 14, 2014. Ashford Trust intends to use the net proceeds of the Offering for general corporate purposes, including, without limitation, hotel-related investments, capital expenditures, working capital and repayment of debt or other obligations.

The press release announcing the pricing of the Offering is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1 Press Release of the Company, dated April 9, 2014, furnished under Item 7.01, announcing the priced Offering.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: April 9, 2014

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ DAVID A. BROOKS David A. Brooks Chief Operating Officer and General Counsel