FORM 4

# **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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obligations may continue. See	
Instruction 1(b).	

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person     Gormsen Christopher Andrew					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RLJ Lodging Trust [ RLJ ]									(Che	eck all app Direc	tor		rson(s) to Is 10% Ov Other (s	vner
(Last)	(First) (Middle)				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/16/2024										below	Officer (give title below)  Chief Accounts		below)	specify
7373 WISCONSIN AVE., SUITE 1500					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) BETHES	SDA M	D 2	0814													filed by Mo		orting Person	
(City) (State) (Zip)						Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication													
		Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10.																	
		Table	I - No	n-Deriva	tive \$	Secu	rities	Acq	uired,	, Dis	posed of	, or E	3ene	ficia	lly Own	ed			
Date			2. Transac Date (Month/Da	Exec ay/Year) if any		Deemed ecution Date, ny onth/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)			s Acquired (A) f (D) (Instr. 3, 4			Securit Benefic Owned	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
								Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or F	Price	Transa	action(s) 3 and 4)			(	
Common Shares			02/16/2	2024				A		23,504(1	) [	4	\$11.	176,108			D		
Common Shares			02/17/2	2024				F	F 4,395 <sup>(2)</sup>		I	)	\$11.7	7 171,713			D		
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)	Execution Date,			4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Exercion Da /Day/Y		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (In 3 and 4)		str.	3. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	у	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code V		(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		Expiration Date	Title	Amor or Numl of Share	ber					

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. These restricted shares, vesting ratably over three years on the yearly anniversary of the date of grant, were granted to the reporting person pursuant to the RLJ Lodging Trust 2021 Equity Incentive
- 2. Reflects common shares surrendered to the Issuer to satisfy tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of the restricted common shares previously granted.

## Remarks:

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

/s/ Chad Perry, Attorney-in-

**Fact** 

02/21/2024

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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).

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### POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Leslie D. Hale and Chad Perry, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or trustee of RLJ Lodging Trust (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder, and any other forms or reports the undersigned may be required to file in connection with the undersigned's ownership, acquisition, or disposition of securities of the Company;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5 and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, and in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 21st day of February, 2024.

/s/ Christopher A. Gormsen Christopher A. Gormsen