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): May 30, 2012

RLJ LODGING TRUST

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-35169 (Commission File Number)

27-4706509 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

3 Bethesda Metro Center
Suite 1000
Bethesda, MD
(Address of principal executive offices)

20814 (Zip Code)

(301) 280-7777

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.01. Completion of Acquisition or Disposition of Assets.

On May 30, 2012, RLJ Lodging Trust (the "Company") closed on the acquisition of the 226-room Courtyard New York Manhattan/Upper East Side located in New York, New York (the "Hotel"). The Company acquired the Hotel from Madison 92nd Street Associates, LLC (the "Seller") for \$82.0 million in cash, which the Company funded with a combination of cash available on its balance sheet and borrowings under its revolving credit facility. The Seller has no material relationship with the Company or any of its affiliates, other than through the purchase contract related to the acquisition of the Hotel.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(a) Financial statements of businesses acquired.

To the extent required by this item, historical financial statements for the Hotel will be filed in an amendment to this current report on Form 8-K no later than 71 calendar days after the date of this report.

(b) Pro forma financial information.

To the extent required by this item, pro forma financial information relating to the acquisition of the Hotel will be filed in an amendment to this current report on Form 8-K no later than 71 calendar days after the date of this report.

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SIGNATURES

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

Date: June 5, 2012

By: /s/ THOMAS J. BALTIMORE, JR. Thomas J. Baltimore, Jr. **President and Chief Executive Officer**