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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Ferson			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>RLJ Lodging Trust</u> [RLJ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
Gormsen Christopher Andrew		w		X	Director	10% Owner			
(Last)	st) (First) (Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
. ,	D RLJ LODGING TRUST DETHESDA METRO CENTER, SUITE 1000 Pet)		02/22/2018		Chief Accounting C	Officer			
C/O RLJ LODGING TRUST 3 BETHESDA METRO CENTER, SUITE 1000		SUITE 1000							
,			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		idual or Joint/Group Filing (C	Check Applicable			
(Street) BETHESDA	MD	20814		Line) X	Form filed by One Reporti	ng Person			
					Form filed by More than C Person	one Reporting			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							

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. Transa Code (8)					Securities Beneficially	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Shares	02/22/2018		A		8,293 ⁽¹⁾	Α	\$21.1	31,413	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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. Transa Code (8)		of Expiration Dat		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Contended Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Contended Conten			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. These common shares were issued to the reporting person pursuant to RLJ Lodging Trust 2015 Equity Incentive Plan and will vest on a quarterly basis over a four year period from the award date provided the reporting person remains employed by the Issuer through the vesting date.

Remarks:

/s/ Anita Cooke Wells, Attorney-in-Fact

02/26/2018 Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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

* 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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