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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

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1. Name and Addres	ss of Reporting Person	1*	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)					
LAFUNGIA	<u>KUDEKI M</u>			X	Director	10% Owner			
		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/16/2011		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
3 BETHESDA METRO CENTER, SUITE 1000			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6 Indiv	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable				
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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. Transaction Code (Instr 8)					Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(iiisti: 4)
Common Shares	05/16/2011		Α		4,166 ⁽¹⁾	Α	\$ <mark>0</mark>	9,166	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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		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. Concurrently with the closing of RLJ Lodging Trust's (the "Company") initial public offering, the Company granted 4,166 restricted shares of beneficial interest in the Company to Mr. La Forgia, vesting ratably on the first four quarterly anniversaries of the date of grant, under the Company's 2011 Equity Incentive Plan.

Remarks:

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

** 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).

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