FORM 4

## 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 Person* Bierkan Ross H.                          |  |      |          | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RLJ Lodging Trust [ RLJ ] |        |  |              |   |  |           |  |  | eck all app<br>Dire   | olicable)<br>ctor  | g Person(s) to I<br>10% (   | Owner          |  |     |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O RLJ LODGING TRUST 3 BETHESDA METRO CENTER, SUITE 1000 |  |      |          | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/16/2013           |        |  |              |   |  |           |  | :  | X Officer (give title below) Oth below  Chief Investment Office   |  |   | (specify<br>)  |  |     |
| (Street) BETHESDA MD 20814  (City) (State) (Zip)                                  |  |      |          |   | 4. If  | Amen   | ndment,      | Date o  | f Origina  | Filed     | (Month/Da                                    | y/Year   | )   | Line   | )<br><mark>X</mark> Forn  | n filed by One | Filing (Check A<br>Reporting Perse<br>e than One Rep | son |
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| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da                        |  |      |          | Execution Date,   |        | Date,  | Code (Instr. |   | 4. Securities Acquired (A)<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 |           |  | Secur<br>Benef<br>Owne<br>Repor  | icially<br>d Following<br>ted                                     | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4)  | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |                |  |     |
|   |  |      |          |   |        | Code   | v            | Amount (A) or (D)   |  | ) or<br>) | Price  |  | action(s)<br>3 and 4)   |  |   |                |  |     |
| Common Shares 08/16/3   |  |      |          |   | 2013 F |  | F            |   | 2,964(1  | 1)        | D  | \$23.8   | 9 4   | 56,532   | D   |                |  |     |
|   |  | Та   |          |   |        |  |              |   |  |           | sed of, onvertib                             |  |   |  | Owned   |                |  |     |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                               | ative Conversion Date Execution Date, if any |      |          | saction of  |        | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |              | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr.<br>and 4) |  | rr. 3     | Price of<br>erivative<br>ecurity<br>nstr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(<br>(Instr. 4) | Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |   |                |  |     |

Date Exercisable Expiration

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Reflects common shares surrendered to the Issuer to satisfy tax withholding obligations in connection with vesting of restricted common shares.

Code

## Remarks:

/a/ Anita Cooke Wells, Attorney-in-Fact 08/20/2013

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

of Shares

Title

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

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