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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement Ryman Hospitality Properties, Inc. [RHP] **Â** Chaffin Patrick S (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2013 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) ONE GAYLORD DRIVE (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person NASHVILLE, TNÂ 37214 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One SVP, Asset Management Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect

(I) (Instr. 5) 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security	4. Conversion or Exercise		6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Expiration Exercisable Date	(Instr. 4) Amount or Title Number of Shares		Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	

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Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	3,554	\$ 0	D	Â
Restricted Stock Unit	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	2,062	\$ 0	D	Â
Restricted Stock Unit	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	3,554	\$ 0	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(4)	02/09/2015	Common Stock	488	\$ 32.98	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(5)	02/08/2016	Common Stock	915	\$ 36.33	D	Â
Stock Option (RIght to Buy)	(6)	02/07/2017	Common Stock	1,219	\$ 46.03	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(7)	02/04/2018	Common Stock	4,024	\$ 25.44	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(8)	02/04/2019	Common Stock	2,379	\$ 8.45	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(9)	02/03/2020	Common Stock	3,171	\$ 16.47	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Othe	
Chaffin Patrick S ONE GAYLORD DRIVE NASHVILLE, TN 37214	Â	Â	SVP, Asset Management	Â	

Signatures

Scott J. Lynn, Attorney-in-Fact for Patrick S. Chaffin

01/11/2013

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- (1) Restricted stock unit vests 50% on a one to one share basis on May 6, 2013 and 50% on May 6, 2014.
- (2) Restricted stock unit vests 50% on a one to one share basis on February 2, 2014 and 50% on February 2, 2015.
- (3) Restricted stock unit vests 50% on a one to one share basis on February 8, 2015 and 50% on February 8, 2016.
- (4) Stock option vests ratably over four years beginning on February 9, 2006.
- (5) Stock option vests ratably over four years beginning on February 8, 2007.
- (6) Stock option vests ratably over four years beginning on February 7, 2008.
- (7) Stock option vests ratably over four years beginning on February 4, 2009.

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- (8) Stock option vests ratably over four years beginning on February 4, 2010.
- (9) Stock option vests ratably over four years beginning on February 3, 2011.

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