

Ryman Hospitality Properties, Inc.  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Bender Michael J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Ryman Hospitality Properties, Inc.  
 [RHP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 14853 SOUTH 7TH STREET  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 01/15/2016

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

PHOENIX, AZ 85048  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |     |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Code  | V  | Amount                            | (D) | Price |

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

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

| 1. Title of Derivative Security | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|--|---|---------------------------------|
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| (Instr. 3)                   | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) | (Instr. 5) |     |                     |                    |                 |  |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|---|------------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--|
|                              |                                    |                  | Code       | V   | (A)        | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units | \$ 0                               |                  |            |   |            |     | (1)                 | (1)                | Common<br>Stock | 4,212                                  |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units | \$ 0                               |                  |            |   |            |     | (1)                 | (1)                | Common<br>Stock | 3,936                                  |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units | \$ 0                               |                  |            |   |            |     | (1)                 | (1)                | Common<br>Stock | 1,928                                  |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units | \$ 0                               |                  |            |   |            |     | (1)                 | (1)                | Common<br>Stock | 1,755                                  |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units | \$ 0                               |                  |            |   |            |     | (1)                 | (1)                | Common<br>Stock | 1,474                                  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Bender Michael J<br>14853 SOUTH 7TH STREET<br>PHOENIX, AZ 85048 |               |           | X       |       |

## Signatures

Scott J. Lynn, Attorney-in-Fact for Michael J. Bender  
01/15/2016

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* 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).

(1) Mr. Bender has deferred vesting of these stock units until either a designated date or termination of his service as a director.

(2)

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In accordance with the terms of the reporting person's outstanding restricted stock unit awards, as a result of the \$0.70 dividend per share of outstanding common stock paid by the issuer on January 15, 2016, the reporting person received additional restricted stock units in an amount based on the amount of the dividend per share and the closing price of the issuer's common stock traded on the NYSE on December 30, 2015.

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