

SHERRILL STEPHEN  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Â SHERRILL STEPHEN  
 (Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 01/03/2011

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Ruths Hospitality Group, Inc. [RUTH]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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

C/O RUTH??S HOSPITALITY  
 GROUP, INC.,Â 400  
 INTERNATIONAL  
 PARKWAY, SUITE 325  
 (Street)

(Check all applicable)

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

HEATHROW,Â FLÂ 32746  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

|                                    |  |   |  |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| 1. Title of Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned<br>(Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(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)**

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|---|---|--|---|---|--|
| 1. Title of Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
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|  | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares | Security   | Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) |  |
|--|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| Series A 10% Convertible Preferred Stock | Â (1)            | Â (1)           | Common Stock | 6,833,694 (2)              | \$ 2.9 (4) | I (5)                                 | By Bruckmann, Rosser, Sherrill & Co. III, L.P. (2) |
| Series A 10% Convertible Preferred Stock | Â (1)            | Â (1)           | Common Stock | 1,786,996 (3)              | \$ 2.9 (4) | I (5)                                 | By BRS Coinvestor III, L.P. (3)                    |

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SHERRILL STEPHEN  
C/O RUTH'S HOSPITALITY GROUP, INC.  
400 INTERNATIONAL PARKWAY, SUITE 325  
HEATHROW, FL 32746

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## Signatures

/s/ Stephen C. Sherrill

01/07/2011

\*\*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) The Series A 10% Convertible Preferred Stock is convertible into Common Stock at any time, at the holder's election, and is subject to the terms and conditions of the Securities Purchase Agreement among Ruth's Hospitality Group, Inc., Bruckmann, Rosser, Sherrill & Co. III, L.P. and BRS Coinvestor III, L.P., dated December 22, 2009 and the Certificate of Designations governing the Series A 10% Convertible Preferred Stock, and has no expiration date.

(2) Bruckmann, Rosser, Sherrill & Co. III, L.P. is the direct owner of 19,817.71285 shares of Series A 10% Convertible Preferred Stock, which are convertible into approximately 6,833,694 shares of Common Stock.

(3) BRS Coinvestor III, L.P. is the direct owner of 5,182.28715 shares of Series A 10% Convertible Preferred Stock, which are convertible into approximately 1,786,996 shares of Common Stock.

(4) The Series A 10% Convertible Preferred Stock is convertible into shares of Common Stock at a rate of 344.828 shares of Common Stock per \$1,000 of liquidation preference of the Series A 10% Convertible Preferred Stock, subject to anti-dilution adjustments, representing an initial conversion price of \$2.90 per share of Common Stock.

(5) These securities are held directly by Bruckmann, Rosser, Sherrill & Co. III, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (the "Fund"), and BRS Coinvestor III, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (the "Co-Invest Fund"). The sole general partner of the Fund is BRS GP III, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, of which the sole general partner is Bruckmann, Rosser, Sherrill & Co. III, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company ("BRS III"). The sole general partner of the Co-Invest Fund is BRS Coinvestor GP III, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company ("BRS Co-Investor GP"). The Reporting Person is a member of the Board of Managers of BRS III and BRS Co-Investor GP.

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**Remarks:**

The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported herein except to the extent

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