

Extended Stay America, Inc.  
Form 4  
February 23, 2017

**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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See Instruction  
1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Halkyard Jonathan S

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O EXTENDED STAY  
AMERICA, INC., 11525 N.  
COMMUNITY HOUSE ROAD,  
SUITE 100

(Street)

CHARLOTTE, NC 28277

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
Extended Stay America, Inc.  
[NONE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/21/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)  
See Remarks.

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

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Paired Shares <sup>(1)</sup>	02/21/2017		A <sup>(2)</sup>		10,333	A	\$ 0	329,899	D	
Paired Shares <sup>(1)</sup>	02/21/2017		A <sup>(3)</sup>		2,054	A	\$ 0	331,953	D	
Paired Shares <sup>(1)</sup>	02/21/2017		A <sup>(4)</sup>		3,948	A	\$ 0	335,901	D	
Paired Shares <sup>(1)</sup>								10,000	I	See Footnote <sup>(5)</sup>

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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 (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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Halkyard Jonathan S  
C/O EXTENDED STAY AMERICA, INC.  
11525 N. COMMUNITY HOUSE ROAD, SUITE 100  
CHARLOTTE, NC 28277

See Remarks.

## Signatures

/s/ Christopher Dekle, Attorney-in-Fact for Jonathan S.  
Halkyard

02/23/2017

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) Each Paired Share is comprised of one share of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of Extended Stay America, Inc. and one share of Class B common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of ESH Hospitality, Inc., which shares are paired and traded as a single unit. A Form 4 reflecting the transactions in Paired Shares by the reporting person shown on this Form 4 has been concurrently filed with respect to ESH Hospitality, Inc. as issuer.
- (2) The reported transaction is an award of Restricted Stock Units in respect of Paired Shares. Subject to the reporting person's continued employment through the applicable vesting date, these Restricted Stock Units are scheduled to vest annually over a three-year period such that one-third of the Restricted Stock Units will vest on each of February 21, 2018, February 21, 2019 and February 21, 2020. Vested Restricted Stock Units will be settled in Paired Shares on March 15th next following the applicable vesting date (or, in any year when the

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15th of March falls on a non-business day, the business day immediately prior to such date).

- (3) The reported transaction is the vesting of performance-vesting Restricted Stock Units awarded on March 16, 2015, based on the achievement of a cumulative EBITDA target for the 2016 calendar year.
- (4) The reported transaction is the vesting of performance-vesting Restricted Stock Units awarded on February 24, 2016, based on the achievement of a cumulative EBITDA target for the 2016 calendar year.
- (5) The reporting person beneficially owns these Paired Shares indirectly through the Halkyard Family Trust. The reporting person serves as the trustee of the trust, and he and his wife are the beneficiaries of the trust.

### Remarks:

Mr. Halkyard is the Chief Financial Officer of Extended Stay America, Inc. and ESH Hospitality, Inc.

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