

MURPHY W MICHAEL

Form 4

May 17, 2013

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
MURPHY W MICHAEL

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST  
INC [AHT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
14185 DALLAS  
PARKWAY, SUITE 1100

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/16/2013

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

(Street)  
DALLAS, TX 75254

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                       |                                         |                                                             | 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<br>Derivative | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction<br>of Derivative | 5. Number | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities |
|---------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
|---------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|

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| Security<br>(Instr. 3)                                    | or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Code<br>(Instr. 8) | Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) |     | (Instr. 3 and 4)          |                    |                                |                                        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-----|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
|                                                           |                                                   |                         | Code               | V                                                                                 | (A)              | (D) | Date Exercisable          | Expiration<br>Date | Title                          | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
| Special<br>Limited<br>Partnership<br>Units <sup>(1)</sup> | \$ 0                                              | 05/16/2013              | A                  |                                                                                   | 5,500            |     | 05/16/2013 <sup>(1)</sup> | <sup>(2)</sup>     | Common<br>Stock <sup>(1)</sup> | 5,500                                  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                             | Relationships |           |         |       |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|                                                                            | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| MURPHY W MICHAEL<br>14185 DALLAS PARKWAY<br>SUITE 1100<br>DALLAS, TX 75254 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ W. MICHAEL  
MURPHY

\*\*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).

Special long-term incentive partnership units ("LTIP Units") in Ashford Hospitality Limited Partnership, the Issuer's operating subsidiary ("Subsidiary"). Vested LTIP Units, upon achieving parity with the Common Limited Partnership Units of the Subsidiary, are convertible

- (1) into Common Limited Partnership Units at the option of the Reporting Person. Common Limited Partnership Units are convertible into cash or, at the option of the Issuer, into shares of the Issuer's common stock on a 1-for-1 basis. The LTIP Units were issued under the Issuer's 2011 Stock Incentive Plan.

- (2) The LTIP Units have no expiration date.

- (3) Per LTIP Unit purchase price.

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