Ryman Hospitality Properties, Inc.

Form 4

February 26, 2015

## FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Westbrook Bennett D Issuer Symbol Ryman Hospitality Properties, Inc. (Check all applicable) [RHP] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) below) ONE GAYLORD DRIVE 02/24/2015 SVP, Investments, D&C (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting NASHVILLE, TN 37214 Person (City) (State) (Zin)

	(City)	(State) (2	Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securities on Acquired (A) or			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect	
	(Instr. 3)	(	any				Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial		
			(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned Following	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)		
						(A)		Reported Transaction(s)			
				Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
	Common Stock	02/24/2015		M	7,109	A	\$0	28,061	D		
	Common Stock	02/24/2015		F	1,945 (1)	D	\$0	26,116	D		

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of corDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nu of Sha
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0	02/24/2015		M		7,109	02/24/2015	02/24/2015	Common Stock	7,
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0	02/24/2015		A	2,822		03/15/2015(2)	03/15/2019	Common Stock	2,
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0	02/24/2015		A	2,733		03/15/2018(3)	03/15/2018	Common Stock	2,

## **Reporting Owners**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Westbrook Bennett D ONE GAYLORD DRIVE NASHVILLE, TN 37214

SVP, Investments, D&C

## **Signatures**

Scott J. Lynn, Attorney-in-Fact for Bennett D. Westbrook

02/26/2015

\*\*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).
- Represents shares withheld to satisfy Mr. Westbrook's tax withholding obligation with respect to the 7,109 shares of common stock issued upon the vesting of performance-based restricted stock units on February 24, 2015. The units, originally awarded on February 8, 2012, vested at 150% of the target level of achievement of the designated Company financial goal, as determined by the compensation committee of the Board of Directors. Mr. Westbrook retained the remaining 5,164 shares.
- (2) Time-based restricted stock units vest ratably over four years beginning on March 15, 2016.
- Performance-based restricted stock units will vest on March 15, 2018 between 0% and 150% of the "target" performance level (the number of shares listed herein) based on the Company's achievement of total stockholder return relative to the median of two peer groups designated by the Company's compensation committee.

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