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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

CHIPOTLE MEXICAN GRILL INC

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

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Symbol

[CMG]

1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

			[CMG]				(The state of			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1401 WYNKOOP STREET, SUITE 500			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/07/2018				_X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify below)			
	(Street)			ndment, Dat th/Day/Year)	e Original		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
DENVER, CO 80202							Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year) Executio any	med n Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) or l of (D)	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)	
Common stock							84,543	D		
Common stock							12,519	I	Ells Dynasty Trust Holdings LLC	
Common stock							99,740	I	Ells DE Trust Holdings LLC	

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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 orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and An Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title C
2018 Special Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 500	01/07/2018		A	175,000	01/04/2021	01/04/2022	Common , stock
2014 Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 543.2					02/03/2016(1)	02/03/2021	Common stock
2014 Performance SOSARs	\$ 543.2					05/10/2016	02/03/2021	Common stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Ells Steve 1401 WYNKOOP STREET, SUITE 500 DENVER, CO 80202	X		Chairman & Co-CEO			

Signatures

Michael M. McGawn, as attorney-in-fact

01/09/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- 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) One half of the 2014 Stock Appreciation Rights vested on February 3, 2016 and the remaining half vested on February 3, 2017.

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