

BAINUM ROBERTA
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BAINUM ROBERTA

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CHOICE HOTELS INTERNATIONAL INC /DE [CHH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
8171 MAPLE LAWN BLVD, SUITE 375
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/16/2018

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

FULTON, MD 20759

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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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock					1,433,105	I	See Footnote (1)
Common Stock					95,722	I	See Footnote (2)
Common Stock					975,497	I	See Footnote (3)
Common	01/16/2018	01/16/2018	J	150,781 D	\$ 0 1,239,599	I	See

Explanation of Responses:

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- (1) Shares owned by the Roberta Bainum Declaration of Trust ("Roberta Bainum Trust"). Ms. Bainum is the trustee and the sole current beneficiary.
- (2) The proportionate interest of the Roberta Bainum Trust in shares (978,482) owned by Mid Pines Associates, L.P. ("Mid Pines") in which Ms. Bainum has shared voting authority.

The proportionate interest of the Roberta Bainum Trust in shares (6,821,574) owned by Realty Investment Company, Inc. ("Realty") a family real estate investment and management company in which Ms. Bainum is a non-controlling shareholder and shares voting authority. Realty owns Choice stock as well as other assets.
- (3) The proportionate interest of Ms. Bainum, the Roberta Bainum Trust and a grantor retained annuity trust created by Ms. Bainum, in shares owned by Sweetwater Holdings, LLC ("Sweetwater") a family investment entity in which Ms. Bainum shares voting authority. A Trust formed by Ms. Bainum for her benefit and the benefit of her descendants made liquidating distributions of Sweetwater.
- (5) The proportionate interest in shares owned by Realty (6,821,574) of individual trusts for the benefit of Ms. Bainum's adult children for which Ms. Bainum is the trustee. Beneficial ownership is disclaimed.
- (6) The proportionate interest in shares owned by Mid Pines (978,482) of individual trusts for the benefit of Ms. Bainum's adult children for which Ms. Bainum is the trustee. Beneficial ownership is disclaimed.

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