

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST INC

Form 8-K

March 24, 2004

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): March 24, 2004

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

MARYLAND
(State of Incorporation)

001-31775
(Commission File Number)

86-1062192
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification
Number)

14180 Dallas Parkway, 9th Floor
Dallas, Texas
(Address of principal executive offices)

75254
(Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (972) 490-9600

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On March 24, 2004, Ashford Hospitality Trust, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that it closed on its acquisition of a hotel property from JHM Ruby Lake Hotel, Ltd. for approximately \$25.3 million in cash. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.19 and is incorporated herein by reference. On January 28, 2004, the Company filed a required Form 8-K announcing that it would be acquiring this property.

Exhibits

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| 99.19 | Press Release of the Company dated March 24, 2004, announcing the acquisition of a hotel property for approximately \$25.3 million in cash. |
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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: March 24, 2004

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ DAVID A. BROOKS

David A. Brooks
Chief Legal Officer