

CHOICE HOTELS INTERNATIONAL INC /DE
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FORM 5

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 BAINUM ROBERTA

(Last) (First) (Middle)

8171 MAPLE LAWN
 BLVD, SUITE 375

(Street)

FULTON, MD 20759

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)
 12/31/2015

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

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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) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|------------|-------|--|--|---|
| | | | | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | 1,695,812 | I | See Footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | 95,722 | I | See Footnote (2) |
| Common Stock | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ | 975,497 | I | See Footnote |

| | | | | | | | | | (3) |
|--------------|------------|------------|---|---------|---|------|-----------|---|------------------|
| Common Stock | 12/14/2015 | 12/14/2015 | J | 91,801 | D | \$ 0 | 1,214,770 | I | See Footnote (4) |
| Common Stock | 05/12/2015 | 05/12/2015 | J | 102,212 | D | \$ 0 | 113,555 | I | See Footnote (5) |
| Common Stock | 05/12/2015 | 05/12/2015 | J | 33,666 | D | \$ 0 | 66,418 | I | See Footnote (6) |

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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. of D Se B O E Is Fi (I |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---------------------------|
| | | | | | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BAINUM ROBERTA 8171 MAPLE LAWN BLVD SUITE 375 FULTON, MD 20759 | Â | Â X | Â | Â |

Signatures

Christine A. Shreve, POA 01/26/2016

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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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.

(3) The proportionate interest of the Roberta Bainum Trust in shares (6,821,574) owned by Realty Investment Company, Inc. ("Realty") an investment company in which Ms. Bainum is a non-controlling shareholder and shares voting authority. Realty owns Choice stock as well as other assets.

(4) The proportionate interest of Ms. Bainum and the Roberta Bainum Trust, 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 the benefit of her and 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. A trust for the benefit of Ms. Bainum's adult son made a distribution of Realty in accordance with its terms.

(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. A trust for the benefit of Ms. Bainum's adult son made a distribution of Mid Pines in accordance with its terms.

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