

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>WALLMAN RICHARD F</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O EXTENDED STAY AMERICA, INC. 11525 N. COMMUNITY HOUSE ROAD, SUITE 100 (Street) CHARLOTTE NC 28277 (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Extended Stay America, Inc. [STAY]</u> | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) |
| | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>05/17/2017</u> | |
| 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | |

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Paired Shares ⁽¹⁾ | 05/17/2017 | | A ⁽²⁾ | | 5,668 | A | \$0 | 116,768 | D | |
| Paired Shares ⁽¹⁾ | | | | | | | | 80,005 | I | See footnote ⁽³⁾ |
| Paired Shares ⁽¹⁾ | | | | | | | | 9,800 | I | See footnote ⁽⁴⁾ |
| Paired Shares ⁽¹⁾ | | | | | | | | 13,800 | I | Spouse IRA |
| Paired Shares ⁽¹⁾ | | | | | | | | 18,200 | I | Spouse SEP |

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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| | | | | Code | V | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- Each Paired Share is comprised of one share of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of Extended Stay America, Inc. and one share of Class B common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of ESH Hospitality, Inc., which shares are paired and traded as a single unit.
- The reported transaction is an award of Restricted Stock Units in respect of Paired Shares. Subject to the reporting person's continued service as a director of the issuer through the applicable vesting date, these Restricted Stock Units are scheduled to vest in full on May 17, 2018. Vested Restricted Stock Units will be settled in Paired Shares on the September 15th next following the applicable vesting date (or, in any year when the 15th of September falls on a non-business day, the business day immediately prior to such date).
- These Paired Shares are held through the Richard F. Wallman IRA, an individual retirement account for which he is a fiduciary.
- These Paired Shares are held through the Richard F. Wallman SEP, an individual retirement account for which he is a fiduciary.

/s/ Christopher Dekle,
Attorney-in-Fact for Richard F. Wallman 05/19/2017

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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).

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