

Tennis William J
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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 *
 Tennis William J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O DIAMONDROCK
 HOSPITALITY COMPANY, 3
 BETHESDA METRO CENTER,
 SUITE 1500

(Street)

BETHESDA, MD 20814

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

DiamondRock Hospitality Co [DRH]

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

09/19/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 EVP and General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(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) (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) | |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | |
| Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 09/19/2012 | | A | | 123 ⁽¹⁾ | A | \$ 0 102,015 | D |

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) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| Market stock units ⁽²⁾ | \$ 0 | 09/19/2012 | | A | 0 ⁽³⁾ | ⁽⁴⁾ 02/27/2013 | Common stock | 157.5 ⁽⁵⁾ |
| Market stock units ⁽²⁾ | \$ 0 | 09/19/2012 | | A | 0 ⁽³⁾ | ⁽⁴⁾ 02/27/2014 | Common stock | 115.5 ⁽⁵⁾ |
| Market stock units ⁽²⁾ | \$ 0 | 09/19/2012 | | A | 0 ⁽³⁾ | ⁽⁴⁾ 02/27/2015 | Common | 135 ⁽⁵⁾ |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Tennis William J C/O DIAMONDROCK HOSPITALITY COMPANY 3 BETHESDA METRO CENTER, SUITE 1500 BETHESDA, MD 20814 | | | EVP and General Counsel | |

Signatures

/s/ William J.
Tennis 09/20/2012

**Signature of
Reporting Person

 Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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) Additional restricted shares awarded in connection with the reinvestment of a dividend as required by the terms of the restricted stock award.

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- This Form 4 report relates to dividends issued on shares of common stock underlying previously issued Market Stock Units. Market Stock Units represent the right to receive shares of common stock, subject to the achievement of certain performance conditions. Market Stock Units vest 3 years after issuance and are converted into a number of shares of common stock depending on total shareholder return over the vesting period.
- (2) No additional Market Stock Units were granted. This Form 4 reports the dividends related to the underlying common stock on Market Stock Units previously issued.
 - (3) The Market Stock Units vest 3 years from the date of issue and convert into a certain number of shares of common stock as discussed in Footnote 2.
 - (4) Represents the maximum number of shares that may be issued with respect to the dividends paid.
 - (5) Represents the maximum total number of shares that may be issued with respect to the aggregate number of Market Stock Units issued.

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