

Haak Arne G.
Form 4
February 27, 2019

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Haak Arne G.

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
Ruths Hospitality Group, Inc.
[RUTH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1030 W. CANTON AVE. STE 100
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/25/2019

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
Chief Financial Officer / EVP

WINTER PARK, FL 32789

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	02/25/2019		A		9,859	A	<u>(1)</u> 338,487	D
Common Stock	02/25/2019		A		7,411	A	<u>(2)</u> 345,898	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)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Benef Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Haak Arne G. 1030 W. CANTON AVE. STE 100 WINTER PARK, FL 32789			Chief Financial Officer / EVP	

Signatures

/s/ Alice G. Givens, under Power of Attorney
02/27/2019
**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) Consists of shares of restricted stock, granted pursuant to the Company's 2018 Omnibus Incentive Plan after the Compnay's compensation committee determined that certain performance goals for 2018 had been met. The shares will vest on March 13, 2021.
- (2) Consists of shares of restricted stock, granted pursuant to the Company's 2018 Omnibus Incentive Plan, which vest pro rata on March 13, 2020, March 13, 2021 and March 13, 2022.

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