

Gillespie Michael R
Form 4
May 20, 2010

FORM 4

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Gillespie Michael R

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
HERSHA HOSPITALITY TRUST
[HT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
510 WALNUT STREET, 9TH
FLOOR

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/18/2010

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
Chief Accounting Officer

(Street)
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19106

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	05/18/2010		M	6,000 A	67,673	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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Shares	(1)	05/18/2010		M	6,000	(1) 08/04/2010	Common Shares 6,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Gillespie Michael R 510 WALNUT STREET 9TH FLOOR PHILADELPHIA, PA 19106	Chief Accounting Officer

Signatures

/s/ Ashish R. Parikh as attorney-in-fact for Michael R. Gillespie

05/18/2010

__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) Each performance share represents a contingent right to receive one Class A Common Share of Hersha Hospitality Trust ("Hersha") if the performance criteria are satisfied during the one year performance period, which expires on August 4, 2010.

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