

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST INC

Form 8-K

March 22, 2004

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

FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): March 19, 2003

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

MARYLAND
(State of Incorporation)

001-31775
(Commission File Number)

86-1062192
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification
Number)

14180 Dallas Parkway, 9th Floor
Dallas, Texas
(Address of principal executive offices)

75254
(Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (972) 490-9600

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On March 22, 2003, Ashford Hospitality Trust, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that it closed on a \$15 million mezzanine loan to a joint venture between Congress Group Ventures and The Buccini/Pollin Group, on the Embassy Suites Boston Logan Airport in Boston, Massachusetts. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.17 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Exhibits

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| 99.17 | Press Release of the Company dated March 22, 2004, announcing the closing of the \$15 million junior mezzanine loan. |
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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: March 22, 2004

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ DAVID A. BROOKS
David A. Brooks
Chief Legal Officer