Extended Stay America, Inc. Form 8-K July 21, 2014

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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) July 21, 2014 (July 17, 2014)

EXTENDED STAY AMERICA, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-36190 46-3140312 (State or other jurisdiction of (Commission (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization) File Number) Identification Number)

11525 N. Community House Road, Suite 100

28277

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Charlotte, North Carolina
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (980) 345-1600

ESH HOSPITALITY, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-36191 27-3559821 (State or other jurisdiction of (Commission (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization) File Number) Identification Number)

11525 N. Community House Road, Suite 100

Charlotte, North Carolina 28277
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)
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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4c))

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers;

Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On July 17, 2014, Peter Crage, Chief Financial Officer of Extended Stay America, Inc. (the Corporation) and ESH Hospitality, Inc. (ESH REIT and, together with the Corporation, the Company), provided the Company with notice of his resignation, effective as of July 31, 2014. Mr. Crage will serve in an advisory capacity until the end of the year to assist in the transition. Mr. Crage has entered into a consulting agreement with a subsidiary of the Corporation pursuant to which Mr. Crage will provide consulting services to the Company through the end of 2014. A copy of the consulting agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1. A copy of a press release announcing Mr. Crage s resignation is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

On July 21, 2014, the board of directors of the Corporation ratified the appointment of Jonathan Halkyard, the Chief Operating Officer of the Corporation, as the Interim Chief Financial Officer of the Corporation and the board of directors of ESH REIT ratified the appointment of Mr. Halkyard as Interim Chief Financial Officer of ESH REIT, each effective as of August 1, 2014 until a permanent replacement for Mr. Crage has been appointed by the Company. During the interim period, Mr. Halkyard will continue to serve as Chief Operating Officer of the Corporation.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

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10.1	Consulting Agreement, dated as of July 21, 2014, between ESA Management LLC and Peter Crage.
99.1	Press release of Extended Stay America, Inc. and ESH Hospitality, Inc., dated July 21, 2014.

SIGNATURE

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

EXTENDED STAY AMERICA, INC.

Date: July 21, 2014 By: /s/ Ross W. McCanless

Name: Ross W. McCanless

Title: Chief Legal Officer and General Counsel

ESH HOSPITALITY, INC.

Date: July 21, 2014 By: /s/ Ross W. McCanless

Name: Ross W. McCanless Title: Chief Legal Officer

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