

Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc.  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 Springer Robert C

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 120 VANTIS, SUITE 350  
 (Street)

ALISO VIEJO, CA 92656

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. [SHO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/17/2017

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)

Chief Investment Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 \_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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	02/17/2017		A		64,516	A	(1) 240,939.9581
Common Stock	02/18/2017		F		13,111	D	(2) 227,828.9581
Common Stock	02/19/2017		F		6,886	D	(3) 220,942.9581

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. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5)
				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
Springer Robert C 120 VANTIS SUITE 350 ALISO VIEJO, CA 92656			Chief Investment Officer	

## Signatures

/s/ Robert C. Springer  
02/22/2017

\_\_\_\_\_  
\*\*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) On February 17, 2017, Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. (the "Company") granted 64,516 restricted shares of common stock to the Reporting Person pursuant to its 2004 Long-Term Incentive Plan. Such shares are subject to the satisfaction of vesting requirements over a three-year period.
- (2) On February 18, 2017, 23,732 restricted shares of common stock of Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. (awarded to the Reporting Person on February 18, 2016) vested, and 13,111 shares of common stock of Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. were withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligations. The closing price on February 17, 2017 (as February 18, 2017 fell on a weekend) of common stock of Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. on the New York Stock Exchange was \$15.13 per share.
- (3) On February 19, 2017, 12,465 restricted shares of common stock of Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. (awarded to the Reporting Person on February 19, 2014) vested, and 6,886 shares of common stock of Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. were withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligations. The closing price on February 17, 2017 (as February 19, 2017 fell on a weekend) of common stock of Sunstone Hotel Investors, Inc. on the New York Stock Exchange was \$15.13 per share.

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