

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST INC

Form 8-K

March 15, 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 15, 2004

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| MARYLAND | 001-31775 | 86-1062192 |
| (State of Incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number) |

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| 14180 Dallas Parkway, 9th Floor Dallas, Texas | 75254 (Zip code) |
| (Address of principal executive offices) | |

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

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ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On March 15, 2004, Ashford Hospitality Trust, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that its Board of Directors declared a dividend for its first quarter ended March 31, 2004, of approximately \$0.06 per fully-diluted share, payable April 15, 2004, for shareholders of record on March 31, 2004. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.15 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Exhibits

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| 99.15 | Press Release of the Company dated March 15, 2004, announcing the declaration of a dividend. |
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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 15, 2004

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

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