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

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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 \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Bennett Monty J Issuer Symbol Ashford Inc. [AINC] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) \_X\_\_ Director X\_\_ 10% Owner \_ Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title **14185 DALLAS** 02/27/2019 below) PARKWAY, SUITE 1100 CEO and Chairman of the Board (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting DALLAS, TX 75254 Person (City) (State) (Zip) n Dominative Committee Appring Disposed of an Donoficially Or

(City)	(State)	Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative Securities A	cquired, Dispose	d of, or Benefi	cially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or Amount (D) Price	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock				· ,	14,154	I (1)	By MJB Operating, LP
Common Stock					115,477	I	By MJB Investments LP
Common Stock					53,726	I	By Dartmore LP
Common Stock					11,602	I	By Reserve, LP IV
					7,763	I	

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Common Stock			By Reserve, LP III
Common Stock	9,225 (2)	I	By Ashford Financial Corporation

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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. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and An Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code V	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title 1
Stock Options (right to purchase)	\$ 61.12	02/27/2019		A(3)		90,000		02/27/2022	02/27/2029	Common Stock
Stock Options (right to purchase)	\$ 94.96							03/14/2021	03/14/2028	Common Stock
Stock Options (right to purchase)	\$ 57.71							10/03/2020	10/03/2027	Common Stock
Stock Options (right to purchase)	\$ 57.34							04/18/2020	04/18/2027	Common Stock
Stock Options (right to purchase)	\$ 45.59							03/31/2019	03/31/2026	Common Stock
Stock Options (right to purchase)	\$ 85.97							12/11/2017	12/11/2022	Common Stock
Common Units (4)	\$ 0 (4)							<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock (4)

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Series B Convertible Preferred Stock (5)	\$ 0.18 (5)	08/08/2018 <u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock
Stock Units under Deferred Compensation Plan (6)	<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Bennett Monty J 14185 DALLAS PARKWAY SUITE 1100 DALLAS, TX 75254	X	X	CEO and Chairman of the Board			

## **Signatures**

/s/ Monty J.

Bennett

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

O3/01/2019

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) Previously reported as directly owned by the Reporting Person. Reflects the recent transfer of such securities to MJB Operating, LP, which is wholly-owned, directly or indirectly, by the Reporting Person.
- Reflects the Reporting Person's pecuniary interest in such securities held directly by Ashford Financial Corporation, of which the
  Reporting Person is a shareholder. The Reporting Person disclaims any beneficial interest in any other Common Units or any shares of the Issuer's common stock (or securities convertible into shares of the Issuer's common stock) held directly or indirectly by Ashford Financial Corporation.

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- (3) The options were acquired from the Issuer in a grant under the Issuer's 2014 Incentive Plan.
- Common units ("Common Units") in Ashford Hospitality Advisors LLC, the Issuer's operating subsidiary, owned by the Reporting

  (4) Person. Common Units are redeemable for cash or, at the option of the Issuer, convertible into shares of the Issuer's common stock on a 1-for-1 basis. The Common Units have no expiration date.
  - In connection with the transactions contemplated by the Combination Agreement, dated August 8, 2018, among the Issuer, the Reporting Person, Archie Bennett, Jr., Remington Holdings, L.P., Remington Holdings GP, LLC, Project Management LLC, MJB Investments, L.P., Mark A. Sharkey, Ashford Holding Corp. and Ashford Merger Sub Inc., the Reporting Person, directly or indirectly through certain
- (5) affiliates, acquired 4,000,000 shares of Series B Convertible Preferred Stock as reported herein. Such 4,000,000 shares of Series B Convertible Preferred Stock are convertible at any time and from time to time, in full or partially, into 714,286 shares of the Issuer's common stock at a conversion ratio equal to the liquidation preference of a share of Series B Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$25.00, divided by \$140, subject to adjustment.
- Each Stock Unit entitles the Reporting Person to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock on the date (or dates) elected by the Reporting Person under the Ashford Inc. Amended and Restated Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan (originally adopted by Ashford Hospitality Trust, Inc., effective January 1, 2008) assumed by the Issuer, effective November 12, 2014.

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