

Ruths Hospitality Group, Inc.
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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 *
Toomy Kevin W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Ruths Hospitality Group, Inc.
[RUTH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/23/2016

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
P&COO- Ruth's Chris Steak Hse

C/O RUTH'S HOSPITALITY GROUP, INC., 1030 W. CANTON AVENUE, STE. 100

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

WINTER PARK, FL 32789

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	02/23/2016		S		21,249	D	\$ 16.71 <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock	02/24/2016		M		20,000	A	\$ 2.32

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee stock option (right to buy)	\$ 2.32	02/24/2016		M	20,000	(2) 10/30/2018	Common Stock	20,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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Signatures

/s/ James S. Rowe, under Power of Attorney

02/25/2016

**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) The price reported in column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$16.64 to \$16.79, inclusive. The reporting person further undertakes to provide upon request by the Commission staff, Ruth's Hospitality Group, Inc., or a security holder of Ruth's Hospitality Group, Inc., full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (2) The option, representing a right to purchase a total of 100,000 shares, became exercisable in five equal annual installments beginning on October 30, 2009, which was the first anniversary of the date on which the option was granted.

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