

LEDSINGER CHARLES A JR
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FORM 4

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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 *
 LEDSINGER CHARLES A JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CHOICE HOTELS INTERNATIONAL INC /DE [CHH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 10750 COLUMBIA PIKE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/27/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 CEO & President

SILVER SPRING, MD 20901

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	04/27/2006		M		100,000 A \$ 6.265	721,708.6	D
Common Stock	04/27/2006		S		100,000 D 11	621,708.6	D
Common Stock	04/27/2006		M		9,000 A \$ 10.2175	630,708.6	D
Common Stock	04/27/2006		M		268 A \$ 29.92	630,976.6	D
Common Stock						2,872	I 401 (k) Plan

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Common Stock	2,654	I	Non-Qualified Plan
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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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 6.265	04/27/2006		M	100,000	(2) 07/31/2008	Common Stock	100,000	
Employee Stock Option	\$ 10.2175	04/27/2006		M	9,000	(2) 02/11/2013	Common Stock	9,000	
Employee Stock Option	\$ 29.92	04/27/2006		M	268	(2) 02/14/2015	Common Stock	268	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LEDSINGER CHARLES A JR 10750 COLUMBIA PIKE SILVER SPRING, MD 20901			CEO & President	

Signatures

Charles A. Ledsinger, Jr. 05/01/2006

**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) Average price reflects series of transactions between \$51.75 and \$52.17
 - (2) Options vest in five equal installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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