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UNITED STATES 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 23, 2016

#### ASHFORD INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE 001-36400 46-5292553
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (Commission (IRS employer identification number)

14185 Dallas Parkway, Suite 1100

Dallas, Texas 75254 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

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

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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#### ITEM 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE.

On March 23, 2016 Ashford, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release to announce that it has filed a lawsuit claiming tortious interference, together with additional claims, alleging monetary damages potentially exceeding \$200 million as well as other non-monetary relief against Sessa Capital ("Sessa") and its purported director nominees John E. Petry, Philip B. Livingston, Lawrence A. Cunningham, Daniel B. Silvers and Chris D. Wheeler. The lawsuit, which was filed with the Dallas County District Clerk in Dallas County, Texas, seeks to enjoin Sessa and the other defendants from their wrongful acts of interference with the advisory agreement between the Company and Ashford Hospitality Prime, Inc. ("Ashford Prime"), which is not a party to the lawsuit, and to recover damages. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

#### ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1 Press release of the Company, dated March 23, 2016

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## **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities 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 23, 2016

ASHFORD INC.

By: /s/ DAVID A. BROOKS
David A. Brooks
Chief Operating Officer and General Counsel