

RARE HOSPITALITY INTERNATIONAL INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**HICKEY PHILIP J JR**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**RARE HOSPITALITY INTERNATIONAL INC [RARE]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 8215 ROSWELL ROAD, BUILDING 600  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 05/18/2006

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 CEO and Chairman of the Board

ATLANTA, GA 30350

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	05/18/2006		M		20,000	A	\$ 6.6667 131,316
Common Stock	05/18/2006		S		1,600	D	\$ 31.46 129,716
Common Stock	05/18/2006		S		1,400	D	\$ 31.5286 128,316
Common Stock	05/18/2006		S		1,000	D	\$ 31.6486 127,316
Common Stock	05/18/2006		S		2,000	D	\$ 31.65 125,316

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Common Stock	05/18/2006	S	4,000	D	\$ 31.6516	121,316	D	
Common Stock	05/18/2006	S	1,000	D	\$ 31.6765	120,316	D	
Common Stock	05/18/2006	S	2,000	D	\$ 31.6824	118,316	D	
Common Stock	05/18/2006	S	1,000	D	\$ 31.7	117,316	D	
Common Stock	05/18/2006	S	3,000	D	\$ 31.705	114,316	D	
Common Stock	05/18/2006	S	1,500	D	\$ 31.7108	112,816	D	
Common Stock	05/18/2006	S	1,500	D	\$ 31.7502	111,316	D	
Common Stock						15,750	I	By trust for Hilary Hickey
Common Stock						15,750	I	By trust for McGrady Hickey

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Num of S
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.6667	05/18/2006		M	20,000	10/29/2000	10/29/2007	Common Stock	20

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HICKEY PHILIP J JR 8215 ROSWELL ROAD BUILDING 600 ATLANTA, GA 30350	X		CEO and Chairman of the Board	

## Signatures

Philip J. Hickey, Jr., by Joia M. Johnson,  
Attorney-in-Fact

05/22/2006

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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