Sims Todd D. Form 4 August 22, 2017

FORM 4

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

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1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Sims Todd D.

Common

(First) (Middle) (Last)

C/O B. RILEY FINANCIAL, INC., 21255 BURBANK BLVD., SUITE 400

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

B. Riley Financial, Inc. [RILY]

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

08/18/2017

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

3.

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Issuer

below)

X_ Director

Applicable Line)

Officer (give title

WOODLAND HILLS, CA 91367 (City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Beneficially Owned Following Reported

5. Amount of

Securities

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price 2,606 A

08/18/2017 Stock

\$0 7,139 (1)

(A)

or

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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10% Owner

6. Ownership 7. Nature of

Indirect

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Form: Direct

(D) or

D

Indirect (I)

(Instr. 4)

Other (specify

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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc		7. Titl		8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	:		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Sims Todd D. C/O B. RILEY FINANCIAL, INC. 21255 BURBANK BLVD., SUITE 400 WOODLAND HILLS, CA 91367

X

Signatures

/s/ Todd D. Sims 08/22/2017

**Signature of 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) Represents a restricted stock unit that settles in common stock of the Company and vests in full on the earlier of June 1, 2018, or the Company's next Annual Shareholder Meeting.

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