

B. Riley Financial, Inc.
 Form 4
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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 *
KELLEHER THOMAS J /ADV

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O B. RILEY FINANCIAL, INC.,
 11100, SANTA MONICA BLVD.,
 STE. 800

(Street)

SANTA MONICA,, CA 90025

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
B. Riley Financial, Inc. [RILY]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 12/10/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 President

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

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount or Price | | |
| | | | | | (A) or (D) | | |
| Common Stock | 12/10/2016 | | F | | 3,618 <u>(1)</u> | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 456,248 | I | See note <u>(2)</u> |
| Common Stock | | | | | 600 | I | By wife <u>(3)</u> |
| Common Stock | | | | | 600 | I | By Daughter <u>(4)</u> |
| | | | | | 600 | I | |

| | | | | | | | |
|--------------|--|--|--|-----|--|---|------------------------|
| Common Stock | | | | | | | By daughter <u>(5)</u> |
| Common Stock | | | | 600 | | I | By daughter <u>(6)</u> |

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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| KELLEHER THOMAS J /ADV C/O B. RILEY FINANCIAL, INC., 11100 SANTA MONICA BLVD., STE. 800 SANTA MONICA,, CA 90025 | X | | President | |

Signatures

/s/ Thomas J. Kelleher
12/13/2016
**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).

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- (1) Represents shares withheld by the Company and remitted on behalf of the Reporting Person for payment of taxes in connection with the vesting of shares from Restricted Stock Units granted on May 9, 2015.
- (2) Held of record by Thomas J. Kelleher and M. Meighan Kelleher as Trustees for the Kelleher Family Trust.
- (3) Held with dispositive power for Mary Meighan Kelleher IRA
- (4) Held with dispositive power for Lyndsey Kelleher
- (5) Held of record by Thomas J. Kelleher as UTMA custodian for daughter Kaitlin Kelleher
- (6) Held with dispositive power for Mackenna Kelleher

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