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FORM 3

INITIAL STATEMENT OF 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(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person

(Last)	(First)	(Middle)
Rutter	John	

c/o Vail Resorts, Inc. PO Box 7
(Street)

(City)	(State)	(Zip)
Vail	CO	81658

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)

5/1/97

3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)

4. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Vail Resorts, Inc. ("MTN")

5 Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

[ ] Director
[X] Officer (give title below)
[ ] 10% Owner
[ ] Other (specify below)

Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Keystone and Vail Summit Resorts

6. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr.5)

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr.5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Option to Purchase	6/9/98	6/9/08	Common Stock	30,000	$24	D	

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ John Rutter 11/14/97

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

** 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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