

MONARCH CASINO & RESORT INC  
 Form 4  
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**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 \*  
 Rowan Ronald

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 MONARCH CASINO & RESORT INC [MCRI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 06/19/2006

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Chief Financial Officer

3800 S. VIRGINIA STREET, EXECUTIVE OFFICES

(Street)

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

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

RENO, NV 89502

(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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |     |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Code  | V  | Amount                            | (D) | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction | 5. Number of Derivative | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|---|--|
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| Security (Instr. 3)                  | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) |                 |              |                            |
|--------------------------------------|--|----------------------|-----------------|---|------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
|                                      |  |                      | Code V          | (A)   | (D)              | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Option / right to buy <sup>(1)</sup> | \$ 26.47                                 | 06/19/2006           | A               | 100,000   |                  | <u>(2)</u>       | 06/19/2016      | Common Stock | 100,000                    |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                 | Other |
| Rowan Ronald<br>3800 S. VIRGINIA STREET<br>EXECUTIVE OFFICES<br>RENO, NV 89502 |               |           | Chief Financial Officer |       |

## Signatures

Ronald Rowan                      07/13/2006  
 \*\*Signature of                      Date  
 Reporting Person

## 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) Mr. Rowan initially reported ownership of these stock options in his original Form 3 which should have been omitted from the Form 3 and reported instead on Form 4. Mr. Rowan is amending his Form 3 to reflect that he owned no derivative securities of the issuer before becoming subject to Section 16, and is reporting on Form 4 his acquisition of equity securities awarded to him upon becoming subject to Section 16.
- (2) On 6/19/06, subject to the terms and conditions of the 1993 Executive Long Term Incentive Plan, as amended, the issuer granted an option to purchase 100,000 shares of the issuer's common stock with the following vesting schedule: 33,333 shares vest on 6/19/09, 33,333 shares vest on 6/19/10, and 33,334 shares vest on 6/19/11.

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