

Rowan Ronald  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
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)  
3800 S. VIRGINIA STREET, EXECUTIVE OFFICES  
(Street)  
RENO, NV 89502  
(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
06/19/2009

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
CFO & Treasurer

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

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**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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock					4,170	D	

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)**

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	
Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.47					(1) 06/19/2016	Common Stock	100,000
Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.28	06/19/2009		A	33,333	06/19/2012 06/19/2019	Common Stock	33,333

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Rowan Ronald 3800 S. VIRGINIA STREET EXECUTIVE OFFICES RENO, NV 89502			CFO & Treasurer	

## Signatures

Ronald Rowan                      06/23/2009  
 \*\*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).
- On June 19, 2006, subject to the terms and conditions of the 1993 Executive Long Term Incentive Plan, as amended, the issuer granted an (1) option to purchase 100,000 shares of the issuer's common stock with the following vesting schedule: 33,333 shares vest on June 19, 2009, 33,333 shares vest on June 19, 2010 and 33,334 shares vest on June 19, 2011.

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