Farahi David-Jacques Form 4 September 26, 2012

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

Farahi David-Jacques Syn MO			Symbol MONA	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) 3800 S. VII	(First) RGINIA STREE	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/24/2012				Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Operating Officer				
RENO, NV	(Street) 89502			ndment, Date Original th/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	Execution any	emed on Date, if /Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	09/24/2012			A	6,010	A	\$ 8.067	10,010	D		
Common Stock								10,010	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)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. DriNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	5	re e	7. Title and a Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option/right to buy	\$ 6.72					<u>(1)</u>	02/10/2020	Common Stock	5,000
Option/right to buy	\$ 11.15					(2)	06/21/2020	Common Stock	5,000
Option/right to buy	\$ 10.2					<u>(3)</u>	07/12/2020	Common Stock	20,000
Option/right to buy	\$ 9.3					08/13/2014	08/13/2021	Common Stock	1,667
Option/right to buy	\$ 7.42					08/13/2015	08/13/2022	Common Stock	1,667
Option/right to buy	\$ 7.55					<u>(4)</u>	08/21/2022	Common Stock	30,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Farahi David-Jacques

3800 S. VIRGINIA STREET Chief Operating Officer

RENO, NV 89502

Signatures

David Farahi 09/26/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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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On February 10, 2010, Mr. Farahi was granted 5,000 stock options which vest as follows: 1,666 vest on February 10, 2013; 1,667 vest on February 10, 2014 and 1,667 vest on February 10, 2015.

- (2) On June 21, 2010, Mr. Farahi was granted 5,000 stock options which vest as follow: 1,666 vest on August 13, 2011; 1,667 vest on August 13, 2012 and 1,667 vest on August 13, 2013.
- (3) On July 12, 2010, Mr. Farahi was granted 20,000 stock options which vest as follows: 6,666 vest on July 12, 2013; 6,667 vest on July 12, 2014 and 6,667 vest on July 12, 2015.
- (4) On August 21, 2012,Mr. Farahi was granted 30,000 stock options which vest as follows: 10,000 vest on August 21, 2015; 10,000 vest on August 21, 2016 and 10,000 vest on August 21, 2017.

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