

Snyder Steven T.
Form 4
January 05, 2010

FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Snyder Steven T.

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

PENN NATIONAL GAMING INC
[PENN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

825 BERKSHIRE BLVD, SUITE
200

(Street)

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

01/02/2010

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

SR VP-Corp Development

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)

____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person

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Person

WYOMISSING, PA 19610

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

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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 Ar Underlying Se |
|---------------------------|---------------|---|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
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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 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Options (right to buy) | \$ 27.19 | 01/02/2010 | A | 70,000 | 01/02/2011 ⁽¹⁾ | 01/02/2017 Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|---|----------------------------------|
| | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| Snyder Steven T. 825 BERKSHIRE BLVD, SUITE 200 WYOMISSING, PA 19610 | SR VP-Corp Development |

Signatures

/s/Robert S. Ippolito as attorney-in-fact for Steven T
Snyder

01/05/2010

____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).
- (1) Vests over 4 years at 25% a year on the anniversary of the date of grant.

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