FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address	1 0	n*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>PENN NATIONAL GAMING INC</u> [PENN]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
WILMOTT T	<u>IMOTHY J</u>			X	Director	10% Owner			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	x	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
825 BERKSHIRI	E BLVD		09/27/2017		Chief Executive C	Officer			
SUITE 200									
,			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		idual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable			
(Street)				Line)					
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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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)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
			Code	v	Amount	ount (A) or Drico Transa		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)			
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	09/27/2017		М		23,419	A	\$8.19	479,119	D				
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	09/27/2017		S		23,419	D	\$23.27(2)	455,700	D				
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	09/28/2017		М		70,781	A	\$8.19	526,481	D				
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	09/28/2017		S		70,781	D	\$23.13 ⁽³⁾	455,700	D				

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. Transa Code (8)		n of		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/)	ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Non Qualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$8.19	09/27/2017		м			23,419	(4)	01/03/2018	Common Stock	23,419	\$0	170,781	D	
Non Qualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$8.19	09/28/2017		м			70,781	(4)	01/03/2018	Common Stock	70,781	\$0	100,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The transactions on this Form 4 were made pursuant to a stock trading plan established pursuant to rule 10b5-1. The options subject to the transactions reported on this Form 4 would have expired on January 3, 2018.

2. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$23.00 to \$23.54. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Penn National Gaming, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the ranges set forth in the footnote to this Form 4.

3. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$23.01 to \$23.21. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Penn National Gaming, Inc., any security holder of Penn National Gaming, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the ranges set forth in the footnote to this Form 4.

4. The option award, representing a right to purchase 200,000 shares, became exercisable in four equal installments on the anniversary date of the grant, beginning January 3, 2012 and expiring on January 3, 2018.

<u>/s/ Christopher Rogers as</u>

attorney-in-fact for Timothy J Wilmott

<u>Wilmott</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

09/29/2017

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 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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