FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			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)						
				X	Director	10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle)		, ,	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2012		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)				
825 BERKSHIRE BLVD SUITE 200		00								
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	idual or Joint/Group Filing (C	Check Applicable				
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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)			4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or Price		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock ⁽³⁾	01/03/2012		М		2,371	A	(3)	45,516	D	
Common Stock	01/03/2012		D		2,371	D	\$38.07	43, 145 ⁽⁴⁾	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)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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	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		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Phantom Stock Unit	(1)	01/03/2012		Α		6,567		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	6,567	\$0	6,567	D	
Phantom Stock Unit	(3)	01/03/2012		м			2,371	01/03/2012	01/03/2012	Common Stock	2,371	(3)	4,742	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Upon vesting, the recipient is entitled to a cash payment for each unit equal to the fair market value on the vesting date of one share of the Company's common stock.

2. The Phantom Stock Unit is scheduled to vest as follows: 1,642 units on January 3, 2013; 1,642 units on January 3, 2014; 1,642 units on January 3, 2015 and 1,641 units on January 3, 2016.

3. The recipient receives a cash payment for each unit equal to the fair market value on the vesting date of one share of the Company's Common Stock.

4. Reporting person is also the indirect beneficial owner of 2,000 shares owned by her husband

/s/Robert S Ippolito as attorney-01/05/2012

in-fact for Barbara Z Shattuck

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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