

# **PINNACLE ENTERTAINMENT, INC.**

Reported by  
**STUDENMUND JAYNIE M**

## **FORM 4**

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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| Address     | 3980 HOWARD HUGHES PARKWAY<br>LAS VEGAS, NV 89169 |
| Telephone   | 702-541-7777                                      |
| CIK         | 0001656239  |
| Symbol      | PNK   |
| Fiscal Year | 12/31   |

# FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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|---|--|--|---|--|--|---|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *                                   |  |  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol       |  |  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)  |  |  |
| <b>STUDENMUND JAYNIE M</b>  |  |  | <b>Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc. [ PNK ]</b>       |  |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director _____ 10% Owner<br><input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) |  |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)   |  |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)      |  |  |   |  |  |
| <b>C/O PINNACLE ENTERTAINMENT,<br/>INC., 3980 HOWARD HUGHES<br/>PARKWAY</b> |  |  | <b>5/1/2017</b>                                   |  |  |   |  |  |
| (Street)  |  |  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY) |  |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)   |  |  |
| <b>LAS VEGAS, NV 89169</b>  |  |  |   |  |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |  |
| (City) (State) (Zip)  |  |  |   |  |  |   |  |  |

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Trans. Date | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution<br>Date, if any | 3. Trans. Code<br>(Instr. 8) |     | 4. Securities Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |               |       | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned<br>Following Reported Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr.<br>4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|------------------------------------|----------------|---|------------------------------|-----|---|---------------|-------|---|---|---|
|                                    |                |   | Code                         | V   | Amount  | (A) or<br>(D) | Price |   |   |   |
| Common Stock                       | 5/1/2017       |   | A                            | (U) | 10000   | (U)           | A     | \$0.00  | 68230   | D   |

**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned ( e.g. , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivate<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Trans.<br>Date | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution<br>Date, if any | 4. Trans. Code<br>(Instr. 8) |   | 5. Number of<br>Derivative Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |     | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date |                    | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Securities Underlying<br>Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                               | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership<br>Form of<br>Derivative<br>Security:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr.<br>4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|--|--|-------------------|---|------------------------------|---|--|-----|--|--------------------|--|-------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
|  |  |                   |   | Code                         | V | (A)  | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable                        | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amount or Number of<br>Shares |   |  |   |  |

### Explanation of Responses:

(1) The securities reported are restricted stock units that vest on May 1, 2018.

### Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| <b>STUDENMUND JAYNIE M<br/>C/O PINNACLE ENTERTAINMENT, INC.<br/>3980 HOWARD HUGHES PARKWAY<br/>LAS VEGAS, NV 89169</b> | X             |           |         |       |

### Signatures

/s/ Elliot D. Hoops, Attorney-In-Fact for Jaynie M. Studenmund

5/2/2017

\*\* 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).

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