

PINNACLE ENTERTAINMENT, INC.

Reported by
RUISANCHEZ CARLOS

FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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Address	3980 HOWARD HUGHES PARKWAY LAS VEGAS, NV 89169
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CIK	0001656239
Symbol	PNK
Fiscal Year	12/31

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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or
Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Ruisanchez Carlos (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O PINNACLE ENTERTAINMENT, INC., 3980 HOWARD HUGHES PARKWAY (Street) LAS VEGAS, NV 89169 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc. [PNK] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) <p align="center">2/15/2017</p>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director _____ 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) President and CFO 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned		

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. 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	(A) or (D)	Price				
Common Stock	2/15/2017		A	(U)	46838	(U)	A	\$0.00	287239	D	
Common Stock	2/15/2017		A		18814		A	\$0.00	306053	D	
Common Stock									199702	I	By Ruisanchez Family Trust

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

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		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 of Derivative Security: 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				

Explanation of Responses:

(The securities reported are restricted stock with performance conditions which are subject to a performance period from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2019.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Ruisanchez Carlos C/O PINNACLE ENTERTAINMENT, INC. 3980 HOWARD HUGHES PARKWAY LAS VEGAS, NV 89169	X		President and CFO	

Signatures

/s/ Elliot D. Hoops, Attorney-In-Fact for Carlos Ruisanchez

2/17/2017

**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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