PENN NATIONAL GAMING INC

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HANDLER DAVID A

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Symbol

PENN NATIONAL GAMING INC

(Check all applicable)

[PENN]

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

below)

10% Owner Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year)

825 BERKSHIRE BLVD SUITE 200 03/13/2017

(Middle)

(Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

_X__ Director

Officer (give title

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Form filed by More than One Reporting

WYOMISSING, PA 19610

(City)

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			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)	
Common			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(msure une 1)		
Common Stock (1)	03/13/2017		M	4,362	A	<u>(1)</u>	144,362	D	
Common Stock	03/13/2017		D	4,362	D	\$ 14.94	140,000	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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 Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pric Deriva Securi (Instr.
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Unit	<u>(1)</u>	03/13/2017	M	4,362	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	4,362	<u>(1</u>

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
HANDLER DAVID A 825 BERKSHIRE BLVD SUITE 200 WYOMISSING, PA 19610	X					

Signatures

/s/ Christopher Rogers as attorney-in-fact for David A
Handler

03/15/2017

**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).

The recipient receives a cash payment for each phantom stock unit equal to the fair market value on the vesting date of one share of the (1) Company's common stock. Of the original award of phantom stock units, 4,362 units vested on March 13, 2017. The remaining 4,361 phantom stock units will vest on March 13, 2018.

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