FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  REED REBECCA C                         |  |  |        |          |                               |  | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol CHURCHILL DOWNS INC [ CHDN ] |                                |                 |        |   |   |  |  | all app  | olicable)<br>ctor  | Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner Other (specify       |    |
|--|--|--|--------|----------|-------------------------------|--|---|--------------------------------|-----------------|--------|---|---|--|--|--|--|---|----|
|  |  |  |        |          |                               |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/17/2008                     |                                |                 |        |   |   |  |  | belov  | ,  | below<br>Compl. Offic                               | )` |
| (Street) LOUISVILLE KY 40208 (City) (State) (Zip)                                |  |  |        |          | 4. If                         | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |   |                                |                 |        |   |   |  | 6. Indiv<br>Line)<br>X   | ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  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. Transaction Date (Month/Day/                 |  |  |        |          |                               | Execution Date,  |   |                                |                 |        | s Acquired (A) or<br>f (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a |   | nd 5) Secu<br>Bene<br>Owne             |  | icially<br>d Following   | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4)  | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership |    |
|  |  |  |        |          |                               |  |   | Code                           | V               | Amount | (A) or<br>(D)                             | Price   |  |  | action(s)<br>3 and 4)  |  | (Instr. 4)  |    |
| Common Stock 12/17/200   |  |  |        |          |                               |  | 008 12/17/2008  |                                | S               |        | 600                                       | D   | \$36.                                  | 9328   |  | 5,445  | D   |    |
|  | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |  |        |          |                               |  |   |                                |                 |        |   |   |  |  |  |  |   |    |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                              | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security  | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | if any | on Date, | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (I<br>8) |  |   | 6. Date<br>Expirati<br>(Month) | ion Da          |        |   | 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(<br>(Instr. 4) | Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4)  | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |   |    |
|  |  |  |        |          | Code                          | v  | (A)   | (D)                            | Date<br>Exercis | able   | Expiration<br>Date                        | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |  |  |  |   |    |

**Explanation of Responses:** 

Remarks:

Rebecca C. Reed

12/17/2008

\*\* 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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