UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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SCHEDULE 14A

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Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Shareholder Meeting to be held on April 24, 2018, for Churchill Downs Incorporated

| Interr staten | net. We encourage you to access and review all o | of the important information co | re complete proxy materials that are available to you on the ntained in the proxy materials before voting. To view the proxy while visiting this site, you will need the 12 digit control number | | |
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| | | | Under new United States Securities and Exchange Commission rules, proxy materials do not have to be delivered in paper. Proxy materials can be distributed by making them available on the Internet. We have chosen to use these procedures for our 2018 Annual Meeting and need YOUR participation. | | |
| <u></u> | | | If you want to receive a paper or e-mail copy of the proxy materials, you must request one. There is no charge to you for requesting a copy. In order to receive a paper package in time for this year's annual meeting, please make this request on or before April 13, 2018. | | |
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| | | ACCOUNT NO. | SHARES | | |
| | | Company Notice of Annual I | Meeting | | |
| Сн | URCHILL DOWNS | Date: Tuesday, April 24, 20 Time: 9:00 a.m. Eastern Day Place: The Knickerbocker H New York, New York | Eastern Daylight Saving Time erbocker Hotel, 6 Times Square, | | |
| The p | urpose of the Annual Meeting is to take action on | the following proposals: | | | |
| The Board of Directors recommends that you vote "FOR" the following. | | | | | |
| 1. | . Election of Directors | | | | |
| Nominees 01 William C. Carstanjen 02 Karole F. Lloyd | | | | | |

To ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2018.

To approve, on a non-binding advisory basis, executive compensation.

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