FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* MCDONALD JAMES F					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHURCHILL DOWNS INC [CHDN]							5. Relationship of Reporting I (Check all applicable)			Person(s) to Issuer	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 700 CENTRAL AVENUE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/02/2012								(give title	(Other (specify below)	
(Street) LOUISVILLE KY 40208 (City) (State) (Zip)			4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						6. I Lin	e) X Form fi Form fi	ridual 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															
Date			Transaction ate onth/Day/	Execution Date,		Code (Instr.				Beneficia Owned F	s F Illy (ollowing (6. Owners Form: Dire D) or Indi I) (Instr. 4	n: Direct II r Indirect E sstr. 4) C	7. Nature of ndirect Beneficial Dwnership		
							Code V	Amount	(A) o	r Price	Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a	on(s)		(nstr. 4)	
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	Date Exe (Month/Day/Year) if a	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year	Code (ansaction Derivat ode (Instr. Securit Acquir or Disp of (D) (6. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8, 4 and 5)		ate	of Securities		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction	Ow For Dire or I (I) (10. Ownership Form: 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		(Instr. 4)	(S)		
Phantom Stock	(1)	04/02/2012		A		242.035		(1)	(1)	Common Stock	242.035	\$56.81	3,712.49	1	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of common stock. The shares of phantom stock become payable upon the reporting person's termination of service as a director.

/s/ James F. McDonald

04/04/2012

** 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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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