

HARRAHS ENTERTAINMENT INC

Form 4

May 11, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SHANKS VIRGINIA E

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
HARRAHS ENTERTAINMENT
INC [HET]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ONE HARRAH'S COURT

(Street)

LAS VEGAS, NV 89119

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/10/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
Senior Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction 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	05/10/2006	05/10/2006	M		12,668	A	\$ 52.585
Common Stock	05/10/2006	05/10/2006	S ⁽¹⁾		12,668	D	\$ 83
Common Stock							4,952
						I	401(k) ⁽²⁾

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

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(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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction 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 (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 52.585	05/10/2006	05/10/2006	M	12,668	(3) 06/16/2011	Common Stock	12,668

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
SHANKS VIRGINIA E ONE HARRAH'S COURT LAS VEGAS, NV 89119	Director 10% Owner Officer Other Senior Vice President

Signatures

Virginia E. Shanks by Angela P. Winter,
attorney-in-fact 05/11/2006

__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).

- (1) The sale transaction covered by this Form 4 is being sold pursuant to a rule 10(b)5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting pers on on May 8, 2006.
- (2) Held by the Trustees of the Harrah's Entertainment, Inc. Savings and Retirement Plan. Holdings reported as of February 28, 2006 and rounded to nearest share.
- (3) Exercisable in three equal installments on 1/1/2005, 1/1/2006, and 1/1/2007.

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