

MONARCH CASINO & RESORT INC
 Form 4
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
FARAHI BOB

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MONARCH CASINO & RESORT INC [mcri]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/28/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
President

MONARCH CASINO & RESORT INC, 1175 MOANA LANE SUITE 200

(Street)

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

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

RENO, NV 89509

(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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | |
| Common stock | 03/28/2006 | | S | 500 | D | \$ 29 | 2,250,578 D |
| Common stock | 03/29/2006 | | S | 40,500 | D | \$ 28.9317 | 2,250,578 D |
| Common stock | | | | | | | 2,250,578 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) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Code | 5. Transaction 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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|---------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Option / right to buy | \$ 11.685 | | | | (1) | 10/21/2014 | Common stock | 100,000 |
| Option / right to buy | \$ 18.06 | | | | (2) | 10/21/2015 | Common stock | 10,000 |
| Call option (obligation to sell) | \$ 25 | | | | | 01/30/2006 09/15/2006 | Common stock | 2,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| FARAH BOB MONARCH CASINO & RESORT INC 1175 MOANA LANE SUITE 200 RENO, NV 89509 | X | X | President | |

Signatures

Bob Farahi 03/29/2006
 **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).
- On October 21, 2004, Mr. Farahi was granted an option pursuant to the Company's 1993 Executive Long-Term Incentive Plan, as amended, to purchase 100,000 shares of the Company's common stock at \$11.685 per share. The shares' vesting schedule is as follows: (1) 33,332 vested on October 21, 2005; 33,334 vest on October 21, 2006; 33,334 vest on October 21, 2007.

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On October 21, 2005, Mr. Farahi was granted an option pursuant to the Company's 1993 Executive Long-Term Incentive Plan, as
(2) amended, to purchase 10,000 shares of the Company's common stock at \$18.06 per share. All 10,000 shares from this grant vest on October 21, 2008.

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