

MONARCH CASINO & RESORT INC
Form 8-K
January 28, 2010

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **January 25, 2010**

Monarch Casino & Resort, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

0-22088
(Commission
File Number)

88-0300760
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

3800 South Virginia Street, Reno, Nevada
(Address of principal executive offices)

89502
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(775) 335-4600**

Not applicable.

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Section 5 Corporate Governance and Management

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(b) On January 25, 2010, Charles Scharer, a member of the board of directors of Monarch Casino and Resort, Inc. (the Company), tendered his resignation, effective immediately, due to time commitments related to other interests. The Company has begun a search for a replacement.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: January 28, 2010

Monarch Casino and Resort, Inc.

/s/ Ronald Rowan
Ronald Rowan
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer