

Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc.
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Â Negrotto Donna S</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>C/O PINNACLE ENTERTAINMENT, INC.,Â 3980 HOWARD HUGHES PARKWAY</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>LAS VEGAS,Â NVÂ 89169</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>07/01/2016</p>	<p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc. [PNK]</p>	<p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other</p> <p>(give title below) (specify below)</p> <p>EVP, Sec. and General Counsel</p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	50,811	D	Â
Common Stock	1,164	I	By 401(k) Plan

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(1)</u>	05/23/2023	Common Stock	32,000	\$ 10.19	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(2)</u>	04/28/2023	Common Stock	5,000	\$ 11.51	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(3)</u>	10/05/2022	Common Stock	7,431	\$ 10.55	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(4)</u>	05/20/2021	Common Stock	4,490	\$ 6.97	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(5)</u>	08/13/2020	Common Stock	16,000	\$ 6.5	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(6)</u>	05/21/2020	Common Stock	3,478	\$ 6.19	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(7)</u>	05/22/2019	Common Stock	6,000	\$ 2.86	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(8)</u>	09/15/2016	Common Stock	4,930	\$ 3.33	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(9)</u>	05/24/2018	Common Stock	6,000	\$ 4.22	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(10)</u>	07/20/2017	Common Stock	8,900	\$ 3	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(11)</u>	06/06/2018	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 3.92	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(12)</u>	05/20/2018	Common Stock	7,000	\$ 4.35	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Negrotto Donna S C/O PINNACLE ENTERTAINMENT, INC. 3980 HOWARD HUGHES PARKWAY LAS VEGAS, NV 89169	Â	Â	Â EVP, Sec. and General Counsel	Â

Signatures

/s/ Elliot D. Hoops, Attorney-In-Fact for Donna S.
Negrotto

07/01/2016

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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 stock options vest and become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on May 23, 2017.
- (2) The stock options vest and become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on April 28, 2017.
- (3) The stock options vest and become exercisable in four annual installments beginning on October 5, 2016. The stock options become exercisable as to 1,858 shares of common stock on October 5, 2016, October 5, 2017 and October 5, 2018, respectively. The stock options become exercisable as to the remaining 1,857 shares of common stock on October 5, 2019.
- (4) The stock options vest and become exercisable in four annual installments beginning on May 20, 2015. The stock options become exercisable as to 1,222 shares of common stock on May 20, 2015 and May 20, 2016, respectively. The stock options become exercisable as to 1,123 shares of common stock on May 20, 2017, and May 20, 2018, respectively.
- (5) The stock options vest and become exercisable in four annual installments beginning on August 13, 2014. The stock options become exercisable as 4,000 shares on August 13, 2014 and August 13, 2015, respectively. The stock options become exercisable as to 4,000 shares of common stock on August 13, 2016 and August 13, 2017, respectively.
- (6) The stock options vest and become exercisable in four annual installments beginning on May 21, 2014. The stock options become exercisable as to 869 shares of common stock on May 21, 2014, 870 shares of common stock on May 21, 2015, and 869 shares of common stock on May 21, 2016. The stock options become exercisable as to the remaining 870 shares of common stock on May 21, 2017.
- (7) The stock options vested and became exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on May 22, 2013. As of the date of this Form 3, the stock options are fully vested and exercisable.
- (8) The stock options vested and became exercisable on September 9, 2012. As of the date of this Form 3, the stock options are fully vested and exercisable.
- (9) The stock options vested and became exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on May 24, 2012. As of the date of this Form 3, the stock options are fully vested and exercisable.
- (10) The stock options vested and became exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on July 20, 2011. As of the date of this Form 3, the stock options are fully vested and exercisable.
- (11) The stock options vested and became exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on June 6, 2009. As of the date of this Form 3, the stock options are fully vested and exercisable.
- (12) The stock options vested and became exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on May 20, 2009. As of the date of this Form 3, the stock options are fully vested and exercisable.

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