CHURCHILL DOWNS INC

Form 4

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1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WALDROP ALEXANDER M

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

CHURCHILL DOWNS INC [CHDN]

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

700 CENTRAL AVE 12/17/2004

(Middle)

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Senior VP, Public Affairs

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Person

LOUISVILLE, KY 40208

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	ırities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(A) or			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)
Common Stock, no par value	12/17/2004		Code V M	Amount 1,344	(D)	Price \$ 27.75	7,800	D	
Common Stock, no par value	12/17/2004		M	5,906	A	\$ 27.23	13,706	D	
Common Stock, no par value	12/17/2004		M	2,330	A	\$ 21.5	16,036	D	
Common Stock, no	12/17/2004		S	7,250	D	\$ 43.4883	8,786	D	

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par value

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	nof Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.75	12/17/2004		M		1,344	11/15/2003	11/14/2010	Common Stock	1,344
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.23	12/17/2004		M		5,906	11/14/2004	11/13/2011	Common Stock	5,906
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.5	12/17/2004		M		2,330	11/20/2000	11/19/2007	Common Stock	2,330

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships			
Troporting of their remarks	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
WALDROP ALEXANDER M 700 CENTRAL AVE LOUISVILLE, KY 40208			Senior VP, Public Affairs			

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/s/ Alexander M. 12/21/2004 Waldrop

**Signature of Reporting Date

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