

BOYD WILLIAM S  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
**BOYD WILLIAM S**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**3883 HOWARD HUGHES  
PARKWAY, NINTH FLOOR**

(Street)

**LAS VEGAS, NV 89169**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**BOYD GAMING CORP [BYD]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**12/07/2011**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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)
Common Stock	12/07/2011		A	(A) or (D) A	Amount 42,857 (1) Price \$ 0 (1)	116,477	D
Common Stock					18,210,846	I	By Trust (2)
Common Stock					77,392	I	By Corporation (3)
Common Stock					28,000	I	By Corporation (4)
					837,252	I	

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Common Stock						By Annuity * (5)
Common Stock	153,117	I				By Spouse

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. 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	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.7	12/07/2011		A	76,531	(6) 12/07/2021	Common Stock	76,531	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BOYD WILLIAM S 3883 HOWARD HUGHES PARKWAY NINTH FLOOR LAS VEGAS, NV 89169	X	X	Executive Chairman	

## Signatures

Brian A. Larson, Attorney-in-Fact for William S. Boyd  
12/09/2011

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).

The Reporting Person was awarded 42,857 Restricted Stock Units for no consideration pursuant to the Issuer's 2002 Stock Incentive Plan.

- (1) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Issuer common stock upon vesting. The Restricted Stock Units will vest in full upon the third anniversary of the date of award. The Restricted Stock Units are subject to the forfeiture and other terms and conditions contained in the award agreement and the 2002 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (2) By William S. Boyd Gaming Properties Trust, of which reporting person is the trustee, settlor and beneficiary.
- (3) By W.S.B., Inc., the reporting person's wholly owned corporation.
- (4) By William S. Boyd Family Corporation, the reporting person's wholly owned corporation.
- (5) By BG-09 Limited Partnership, of which each of the William S. Boyd Gaming Properties Trust ("WSBGPT") and the Marianne Boyd Gaming Properties Trust ("MBGPT") are the general partners thereof.
- (6) Options granted under the Issuer's 2002 Stock Incentive Plan. Vesting plan calls for options to become exercisable at the rate of 33.333% per year on the first day of each successive 12 month period commencing one year from grant date.

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