

MONARCH CASINO & RESORT INC
Form 8-K
April 20, 2012

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: April 18, 2012
(Date of earliest event reported)

Monarch Casino and Resort, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

NV
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation) 0-22088

(Commission File Number) 88-0300760
(IRS Employer

Identification Number)

3800 S. Virginia Street
(Address of principal executive offices) 89502
(Zip Code)

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

Not Applicable
(Former Name or Former Address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events

On April 19, 2012, Monarch Casino & Resort, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that the Company secured transactional approval from the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission. A copy of the press release is attached to this Current Report as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(a) Financial statements:

None

(b) Pro forma financial information:

None

(c) Shell company transactions:

None

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release of Monarch Casino and Resort, Inc. dated April 18, 2012

SIGNATURE

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.

Dated: April 18, 2012

MONARCH CASINO AND RESORT, INC.

By: /s/ Ronald M. Rowan

Ronald M. Rowan

Chief Financial Officer

Exhibit Index **Exhibit No.** **Description** 99.1 Press Release of Monarch Casino and Resort, Inc. dated April 18, 2012