BOYD GAMING CORP

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * JOHNSON MARIANNE BOYD

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BOYD GAMING CORP [BYD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

12/08/2004

_X__ Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

Senior Vice President 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

2950 INDUSTRIAL ROAD

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

(Instr. 8)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

LAS VEGAS, NV 89109

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year)

(Street)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership Securities Beneficially Owned (T) Following

7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

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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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Security or Exercise any Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8		Acquired (A Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, 5)	f (D)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 36.76	12/08/2004		A		100,000		<u>(1)</u>	12/08/2014	Common Stock	100,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
JOHNSON MARIANNE BOYD 2950 INDUSTRIAL ROAD LAS VEGAS, NV 89109	X		Senior Vice President			

Signatures

Brian A. Larson, Attorney-in-Fact for Marianne Boyd Johnson

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- Options granted under BGC 2002 Flexible Stock Option 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.

Date

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