

TRUMP ENTERTAINMENT RESORTS, INC.  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
 Washington, D.C. 20549**

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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 \*  
**BURKE JOHN P**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O TRUMP ENTERTAINMENT RESORTS, INC., 15 SOUTH PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE

(Street)

ATLANTIC CITY, NJ 08401

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**TRUMP ENTERTAINMENT RESORTS, INC. [TRMP]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**01/07/2009**

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)  
**EVP, Chief Financial Officer**

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|   |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share | 01/07/2009                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               | 16  | D \$ 0.28   | 13,534   | D                                 |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share | 01/07/2009                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               | 5   | D \$ 0.281  | 13,529   | D                                 |

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|   |            |             |     |   |              |        |   |
|---|------------|-------------|-----|---|--------------|--------|---|
| Common<br>Stock, par<br>value<br>\$0.001 per<br>share | 01/07/2009 | <u>S(1)</u> | 148 | D | \$ 0.29      | 13,381 | D |
| Common<br>Stock, par<br>value<br>\$0.001 per<br>share | 01/07/2009 | <u>S(1)</u> | 347 | D | \$ 0.295     | 13,034 | D |
| Common<br>Stock, par<br>value<br>\$0.001 per<br>share | 01/07/2009 | <u>S(1)</u> | 73  | D | \$<br>0.2951 | 12,961 | D |
| Common<br>Stock, par<br>value<br>\$0.001 per<br>share | 01/07/2009 | <u>S(1)</u> | 274 | D | \$ 0.3       | 12,687 | D |
| Common<br>Stock, par<br>value<br>\$0.001 per<br>share | 01/07/2009 | <u>S(1)</u> | 5   | D | \$<br>0.3001 | 12,682 | D |
| Common<br>Stock, par<br>value<br>\$0.001 per<br>share | 01/07/2009 | <u>S(1)</u> | 54  | D | \$<br>0.3002 | 12,628 | D |
| Common<br>Stock, par<br>value<br>\$0.001 per<br>share | 01/07/2009 | <u>S(1)</u> | 83  | D | \$<br>0.3003 | 12,545 | D |
| Common<br>Stock, par<br>value<br>\$0.001 per<br>share | 01/07/2009 | <u>S(1)</u> | 3   | D | \$<br>0.3005 | 12,542 | D |
| Common<br>Stock, par<br>value<br>\$0.001 per<br>share | 01/07/2009 | <u>S(1)</u> | 107 | D | \$ 0.31      | 12,435 | D |
|   | 01/07/2009 | <u>S(1)</u> | 25  | D | \$ 0.32      | 12,410 | D |

Common  
Stock, par  
value  
\$0.001 per  
share

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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                              |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                      | Other |
| BURKE JOHN P<br>C/O TRUMP ENTERTAINMENT RESORTS, INC.<br>15 SOUTH PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE<br>ATLANTIC CITY, NJ 08401 |               |           | EVP, Chief Financial Officer |       |

## Signatures

/s/ John P. Burke  
01/09/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person  
Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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(1) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.

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