

JAMES PHYLLIS
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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 *
JAMES PHYLLIS

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MGM Resorts International [MGM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
3600 LAS VEGAS BLVD. SOUTH

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
10/03/2011

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP SPECIAL COUNSEL-LITIGATION

LAS VEGAS, NV 89109

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

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

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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 8.23	10/03/2011			A		26,250		10/03/2012	10/03/2018	Common Stock \$\$.01 Par Value ND	26,250
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	10/03/2011			A		3,500		10/03/2012	(3)	Common Stock \$\$.01 Par Value ND	3,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
JAMES PHYLLIS 3600 LAS VEGAS BLVD. SOUTH LAS VEGAS, NV 89109				EVP SPECIAL COUNSEL-LITIGATION

Signatures

Francine A. Vazquez, 10/05/2011
Attorney-In-Fact

**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).
- (1) Stock Appreciation Rights (SARs) granted under the MGM Resorts International Amended and Restated 2005 Omnibus Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). The SARs will vest in four equal annual installments beginning on October 3, 2012.
- (2) Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) granted under the Plan. Each RSU represents the right to receive, following vesting, one share of common stock. The RSUs are subject to meeting minimum performance criteria set by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of MGM Resorts International. Provided such criteria are met, the RSUs will vest in four equal annual installments commencing on October 3, 2012.
- (3) RSUs do not have an expiration date.

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