BOYD GAMING CORP

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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **SMITH KEITH**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BOYD GAMING CORP [BYD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(City)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

3883 HOWARD HUGHES PARKWAY, NINTH FLOOR

(Street)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

President and CEO 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

01/02/2008

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 89169

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

3. 4. Securities Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (I)

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

(A)

(Instr. 8)

Following 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.

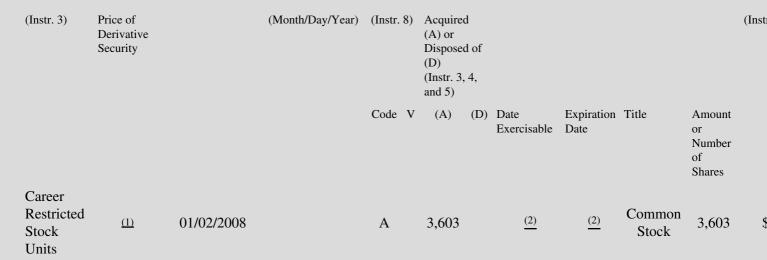
(Month/Day/Year)

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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 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. Pr Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date **Underlying Securities** Deri Code Security or Exercise any Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Secu

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SMITH KEITH

3883 HOWARD HUGHES PARKWAY

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X

President and CEO

Signatures

Brian A. Larson, Attorney-in-Fact for Keith Smith

01/03/2008

**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 Career Restricted Stock Units were granted to the Reporting Person for no consideration pursuant to the Issuer's Career Shares

 (1) Program under its 2002 Stock Incentive Plan. Each Career Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Issuer common stock.
 - The Career Restricted Stock Units will be paid out in shares of Issuer common stock at the time of retirement based upon the Reporting Person's/grantee's attained age and years of continuous service at the time of retirement. To receive any payout under the Career Shares Program, grantees must be at least 60 years old and must have been continually employed by the Issuer for a minimum of 15 years.
- Retirement after 15 years of service will entitle a grantee to 50 percent of his or her Career Restricted Stock Units. This increases to 75 percent after 20 years and 100 percent following 25 years of employment. In the event of grantee's death or permanent disability, or following a change in control of Issuer, the grantee will be deemed to have attained age 60 and the Career Restricted Stock Units will immediately vest and convert into shares of Issuer common stock based on the grantee's years of continuous service through the date of death, termination resulting from permanent disability or the change in control, as applicable.

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