

PENN NATIONAL GAMING INC  
Form 8-K  
January 17, 2014

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, DC 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **January 16, 2014**

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**PENN NATIONAL GAMING, INC.**

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Commission file number **0-24206**

**Incorporated Pursuant to the Laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania**

IRS Employer Identification No. **23-2234473**

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On January 16, 2014, Penn National Gaming, Inc. (the Company ) announced the promotion of Carl Sottosanti to the position of Senior Vice President and General Counsel, effective February 1, 2014, subject to customary regulatory approvals. Mr. Sottosanti succeeds Jordan B. Savitch, who served as Senior Vice President and General Counsel of the Company since 2002 and is resigning his position, effective January 31, 2014, to spend more time with his family. The Company s press release dated January 16, 2014 announcing the promotion of Mr. Sottosanti and resignation of Mr. Savitch as described above is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press Release dated January 16, 2014 of Penn National Gaming, Inc.

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**SIGNATURES**

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 thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: January 17, 2014

PENN NATIONAL GAMING, INC.

By: /s/ Robert Ippolito  
Name: Robert Ippolito  
Title: Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer