Santoro Richard M Form 4 December 17, 2009

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Santoro Richard M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

TRUMP ENTERTAINMENT RESORTS, INC. [TRMP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle)

(Street)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year) 12/14/2009

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

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

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year)

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

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

ATLANTIC CITY, NJ 08401

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

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

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price Code V Amount (D)

Common Stock, par

value 12/14/2009 \$0.001 per

J(1)6,640

D 4,699 (1)

D

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)

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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Santoro Richard M C/O TRUMP ENTERTAINMENT RESORTS, INC. 15 SOUTH PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE ATLANTIC CITY, NJ 08401

EVP, Asset Protection&RiskMgmt

Signatures

/s/ Richard M. 12/17/2009

**Signature of Date
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).

The reporting person has consented to the cancellation and waiver of vesting of Restricted Stock Awards previously granted under the Trump Entertainment Resorts, Inc. 2005 Incentive Award Plan and scheduled to vest as follows: 2,850 shares of common stock scheduled to vest on January 7, 2010; 940 hares of common stock scheduled to vest on January 15, 2010; and 2,850 shares of common stock scheduled to vest on January 7, 2011.

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