

AMERISTAR CASINOS INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**KANOFSKY GORDON**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**AMERISTAR CASINOS INC  
 [ASCA]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 16633 VENTURA BOULEVARD,  
 SUITE 1050

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 08/13/2013

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

(Street)  
 ENCINO, CA 91436

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
				Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	08/13/2013		D					\$ 26.50	(1)	D	
Common Stock	08/13/2013		D					\$ 26.50	(2)	I	Family Trust (3)

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)	
					V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.87	08/13/2013		D		67,866	(4)	12/15/2015	Common Stock	67,866
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.09	08/13/2013		D		58,870	(4)	07/29/2021	Common Stock	58,870
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.3	08/13/2013		D		73,744	(4)	12/16/2014	Common Stock	73,744
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.62	08/13/2013		D		65,750	(4)	07/31/2019	Common Stock	65,750
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.62	08/13/2013		D		294,830	(4)	11/21/2021	Common Stock	294,830
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.68	08/13/2013		D		162,100	(4)	07/25/2022	Common Stock	162,100
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.62	08/13/2013		D		61,610	(4)	07/30/2020	Common Stock	61,610

