

## Colorado casino executive can explain the odds of betting on the Super Bowl, but can't let you try your luck in his house



From silly prop bets to long shots, get the scoop on the odds

Friday, January 26, 2018 — Come Sunday, Feb 4, millions of dollars will change hands in Las Vegas as bettors try to cash in on their pick to win the Super Bowl, along with numerous side bets relating to the big game. In Las Vegas, most odds makers have New England as 5.5 point favorites and a game total of 47 points.

If you're wondering how a half point can come into play and what terms like "spread" and "over-under" mean, you're not alone. Most people don't understand the math involved in setting the odds, or the rules about what's allowed.

Craig Pleva, General Manager of Monarch Casino Black Hawk, is an expert on explaining the odds, a skill he learned during his earlier career in Reno, Nevada at the Atlantis Casino Resort Spa. Sports betting is not allowed in Colorado, but that won't stop many from trying their luck with friends and family at parties or with a quick trip to Nevada.

Pleva is available to explain what odds indicate a good bet, what long shot odds really mean, why silly prop bets are made and the numbers on the board in sports books. To arrange an interview, contact Diane Mulligan by phone or at the email address listed above.

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## **ABOUT MONARCH CASINO BLACK HAWK**

Monarch Casino & Resort, Inc. acquired the Monarch Casino Black Hawk, the first casino encountered by visitors arriving from Denver on Highway 119, in April 2012. The property features approximately 32,000 square feet of casino space, approximately 700 slot machines, 14 table games, a 250 seat buffet-style restaurant, a snack bar and a parking structure with approximately 1,350 spaces. Once completed, the Monarch Casino Black Hawk expansion will nearly double the casino space and will add a 23 story hotel tower with approximately 500 guest rooms and suites, an upscale spa and pool facility, three restaurants (bringing the total to four restaurants), additional bars, a new parking structure and associated support facilities.

### **About Monarch Casino & Resort, Inc.**

Monarch Casino & Resort, Inc. (NASDAQ: MCRI), was incorporated in 1993 and through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, owns and operates the four diamond Atlantis Casino Resort Spa in Reno, Nevada, and the Monarch Casino Black Hawk (formerly the Riviera Black Hawk Casino) in Black Hawk, Colorado, approximately 40 miles west of Denver. For additional information, visit [MonarchCasino.com](http://MonarchCasino.com).

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