

HALLMARK FINANCIAL SERVICES INC  
Form 8-K  
July 12, 2012

**UNITED STATES**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, DC 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT Pursuant**

**to Section 13 or 15(d) of the**

**Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): July 11, 2012

**HALLMARK FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.**  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Nevada  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-11252                      87-0447375  
(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

777 Main Street, Suite 1000, Fort Worth, Texas    76102  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)              (Zip Code)

817-348-1600  
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable  
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement**

On July 11, 2012, Hallmark Financial Services, Inc. (“HFS”) and each of its subsidiaries (collectively with HFS, the “Company”) entered into a Ninth Amendment to First Restated Credit Agreement (the “Ninth Amendment”) with Frost Bank (“Frost”) effective as of July 10, 2012. The Ninth Amendment extends the termination date of the credit facilities to September 30, 2012, and provides certain waivers. The foregoing description of the Ninth Amendment is qualified in its entirety by reference to the definitive agreement filed as an exhibit to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by this reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(c) Exhibits.

10.1 Ninth Amendment to First Restated Credit Agreement among Hallmark Financial Services, Inc. and its subsidiaries and Frost Bank dated July 10, 2012.

**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 duly authorized.

HALLMARK FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

Date: July 11, 2012 By: /s/ Jeffrey R. Passmore  
Jeffrey R. Passmore, Chief Accounting Officer