

RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL INC  
Form 8-K  
May 06, 2008

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

May 5, 2008  
Date of report (date of earliest event reported)

Raymond James Financial, Inc.  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Florida  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-9109  
(Commission File Number)

59-1517485  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

880 Carillon Parkway St. Petersburg, FL 33716  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(727) 567-1000  
(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))
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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 April 29, 2008, the Board of Directors of the Company appointed Angela Biever as the Company's new Chief Administrative Officer. Ms. Biever, age 54, will have responsibility for information technology, operations and administration, human resources, legal and risk management. Ms. Biever was a director of the Company from 1997 until April 15, 2008. From 2006 until April 2008, Ms. Biever was Managing Director, Consumer Internet, Intel Capital. She was the General Manager, Intel New Business Initiatives from 2000 until 2006.

The Board of Directors also awarded Ms. Biever 15,000 shares of restricted stock under the Company's 2005 Restricted Stock Plan, effective on her commencement of employment, May 5, 2008.

Exhibit No.

99.1 Press release dated May 5, 2008 issued by Raymond James Financial, Inc.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

RAYMOND JAMES  
FINANCIAL, INC.

Date: May 5, 2008      By:      /s/ Jeffrey P. Julien

Jeffrey P. Julien  
Senior Vice  
President - Finance  
and Chief  
Financial Officer