

COWEN INC.  
Form 8-K  
April 24, 2019

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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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 23, 2019

COWEN INC.  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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| Delaware<br>(State or Other Jurisdiction<br>of Incorporation)                                       | 001-34516<br>(Commission File Number) | 27-0423711<br>(I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification No.) |
| 599 Lexington Avenue<br>New York, NY 10022<br>(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code) |                                       |   |
| Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 845-7900                                  |                                       |   |

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.12b-2).

Emerging growth company ”

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ”

Item 5.02. Departures of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On April 23, 2019 the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of Cowen Inc. (the “Company”) appointed Margaret L. Poster to serve on the Company’s Board of Directors, effective immediately. Ms. Poster’s appointment expands the Board to ten directors. Ms. Poster will be a member of the Company’s Audit Committee.

Ms. Poster joins the Board with comprehensive operating and public accounting experience. From 1991 through 2018, Ms. Poster was the Chief Operating Officer of Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP. Ms. Poster previously served as President of Workbench, Inc., Chief Financial Officer of Barnes & Noble Bookstores Inc. and Chief Financial Officer of the Jewelry & Sporting Good Division at W.R. Grace & Co. Ms. Poster began her career as an auditor at PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP. Ms. Poster is a certified public accountant and earned her MBA from Harvard Business School and a BA from the University of Vermont.

On April 24, 2019, the Company issued a press release announcing the appointment of Ms. Poster. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibits are filed herewith:

99.1 Press Release issued by the Company dated April 24, 2019.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

COWEN INC.

Dated: April 24, 2019 By: /s/ Owen S. Littman

Name: Owen S. Littman

Title: General Counsel