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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION 450 Fifth Street NW Washington, D.C. 29549

#### 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): May 22, 2017

#### **THE CATO CORPORATION**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware1-3134056-0484485(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation(Commission (IRS Employer Identification No.)

File Number)

8100 Denmark Road, Charlotte, NC 28273-5975 (Zip Code)

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

#### (704) 554-8510

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

#### Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter). 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. "

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Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

On May 24, 2018, the Registrant held its Annual Meeting. The following are the voting results on each matter submitted to the Registrant's stockholders at the Annual Meeting. The proposals below are described in detail in the Proxy Statement.

At the Annual Meeting, the three nominees for director were elected to the Registrant's Board of Directors (Proposal 1 below).

In addition, management's proposal regarding a non-binding advisory vote approving executive compensation was approved (Proposal 2 below).

In addition management's proposal regarding the Cato Corporation 2018 Incentive Compensation Plan was approved (Proposal 3 below).

In addition, management's proposal regarding ratification of the retention of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Registrant's registered independent public accounting firm for 2018 was approved (Proposal 4 below).

#### Summary Of Voting By Proposal

1. To elect John P. D. Cato, Thomas E. Meckley and Bailey W. Patrick, each for a term expiring in 2021 and until their successors are elected and qualified. Votes recorded, by nominee, were as follows:

Nominee Broker

Abstain Non-Votes

For

John P. D. Cato 35,584,168 368,207 2,288,281

Thomas E. Meckley	35,742,171	210,204	2,288,281
Bailey W. Patrick	32,172,030	3,780,345	2,288,281

- 2. To hold an advisory (non-binding) vote on executive compensation. The Company's shareholders voted to approve this proposal with 28,284,293 votes for and 7,440,860 votes against. There were 227,222 abstentions and 2,288,281 Broker non-votes.
- 3. To consider and vote upon a proposal to approve the Cato Corporation 2018 Incentive Compensation Plan. The Company's shareholders voted to approve this proposal with 26,032,997 votes for and 9,863,354 votes against. There were 56,024 abstentions and 2,288,281 Broker non-votes.
- 4. To ratify the selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending February 2, 2109. The Company's shareholders voted to approve this proposal with 37,913,375 votes for and 283,957 votes against. There were 43,324 abstentions.

## **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 thereunto duly authorized.

#### THE CATO CORPORATION

May 25, 2018 /s/ John P. D. Cato
Date John P. D. Cato

Chairman, President and

Chief Executive Officer

May 25, 2018 /s/ John R. Howe Date John R. Howe

**Executive Vice President** 

Chief Financial Officer