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FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC Form 8-K July 18, 2005

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): July 14, 2005

FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-09318 13-2670991 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer of incorporation) Identification No.)

One Franklin Parkway, San Mateo, California 94403
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (650) 312-3000

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 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR PRINCIPAL OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL OFFICERS.

(b) On July 14, 2005, Martin L. Flanagan, President and Co-Chief Executive Officer of Franklin Resources, Inc. (the "Company"), resigned from his positions with the Company, effective July 31, 2005. Gregory E. Johnson, President and Co-Chief Executive Officer of the Company, will continue as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company.

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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.

FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC.

Date: July 18, 2005 /s/ Barbara J. Green

Barbara J. Green

Vice President, Deputy General Counsel

and Secretary