

CHEMICAL FINANCIAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
April 20, 2015

**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 20, 2015**

**Chemical Financial Corporation**

(Exact Name of Registrant as  
Specified in its Charter)

**Michigan**                      **000-08185**    **38-2022454**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction) (Commission (IRS Employer  
of Incorporation)              File Number) Identification No.)

**333 E. Main Street**  
**Midland, Michigan**              **48640**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(989) 839-5350**

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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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; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On April 20, 2015, Chemical Financial Corporation ("Chemical") announced, effective immediately, certain changes to its executive and senior management teams. Among other changes, Leonardo "Len" A. Amat, age 46, and Robert S. Rathbun, age 51, have been appointed co-Chief Operating Officers. Mr. Amat will serve as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer – Business Operations and Mr. Rathbun will serve as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer – Customer Experience. In addition, Lynn M. Kerber, age 46, has been appointed Executive Vice President and Chief Risk Management Officer. Messrs. Amat and Rathbun and Ms. Kerber are not a party to any transaction, or series of transactions, required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K. There is no agreement, arrangement or understanding pursuant to which Messrs. Amat and Rathbun and Ms. Kerber were appointed to their new positions.

For more information about these changes and other changes to Chemical's executive and senior management teams, please see the press release attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report, which is here incorporated by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits:

99.1 Press Release dated April 20, 2015.

**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.

Dated: April 20, 2015 CHEMICAL FINANCIAL CORPORATION  
(Registrant)

/s/ Lori A. Gwizdala  
Lori A. Gwizdala  
Executive Vice President, Chief Financial  
Officer and Treasurer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number Document

99.1 Press Release dated April 20, 2015.