

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORP  
Form 8-K  
September 28, 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: **September 28, 2015**

(Date of earliest event reported)

**INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**New York**  
(State of Incorporation)

**1-2360**  
(Commission File Number)

**13-0871985**  
(IRS employer Identification No.)

**ARMONK, NEW YORK**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**10504**  
(Zip Code)

**914-499-1900**

(Registrant's telephone number)

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:

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  - o 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(d) Election of Directors.**

On September 28, 2015, IBM announced that Hutham S. Olayan, principal, director and senior executive, The Olayan Group, has been elected to the IBM Board of Directors, effective January 1, 2016. Ms. Olayan is expected to become a member of IBM's Directors and Corporate Governance Committee. After the election of Ms. Olayan takes effect, the IBM board will have a total of 15 members.

IBM's compensatory and other arrangements for non-management directors are set forth in the company's Proxy Statement dated March 9, 2015. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 of this Form 8-K.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description of Exhibit</b>
99.1	Press Release

IBM's website ([www.ibm.com](http://www.ibm.com)) contains a significant amount of information about IBM, including financial and other information for investors ([www.ibm.com/investor/](http://www.ibm.com/investor/)). IBM encourages investors to visit its various websites from time to time, as information is updated and new information is posted.

SIGNATURE

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.

Date: September 28, 2015

By: /s/ Christina M. Montgomery  
Christina M. Montgomery  
Vice President, Assistant General Counsel and Secretary