

CRAWFORD & CO
Form 8-K
May 05, 2006

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 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) May 2, 2006
CRAWFORD & COMPANY**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)
Georgia

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-10356

(Commission File Number)

58-0506554

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

5620 Glenridge Drive, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

30342

(Zip Code)

(404) 256-0830

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

N/A

(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))
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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers

On May 3, 2006, Crawford & Company (the Company) issued a press release announcing the resignation of John F. Giblin, Chief Financial Officer on May 2, 2006, and the appointment of W. Bruce Swain, Jr. as interim Chief Financial Officer, each effective May 2, 2006. Mr. Swain, 42, has served as the Company's Senior Vice President Controller since January 1, 2000. From March 1, 1997 to that date he was Assistant Vice President and Assistant Controller. Prior to March 1, 1997 and from June 1993 he served in various management capacities with the Company's Finance Division. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

The following exhibit is filed herewith:

| Exhibit Number | Description |
|----------------|---------------------------------|
| 99.1 | Press release dated May 3, 2006 |

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.

CRAWFORD & COMPANY

BY: /s/ Allen W. Nelson

Allen W. Nelson
Senior Vice President General
Counsel & Corporate Secretary

Dated: May 4, 2006