

RETAIL PROPERTIES OF AMERICA, INC.

Form 8-K

March 09, 2012

**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): March 8, 2012

**RETAIL PROPERTIES OF AMERICA, INC.**

(exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

**Maryland**  
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

**000-51199**  
(Commission

File Number)

**42-1579325**  
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

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**2901 Butterfield Road, Oak Brook, Illinois**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**60523**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (630) 218-8000**

**Not Applicable**

**(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)**

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):

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  
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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.**

On March 8, 2012, the Company filed Articles of Amendment to the Company's Fifth Articles of Amendment and Restatement with the Maryland State Department of Assessments and Taxation to effect a change of its name from Inland Western Retail Real Estate Trust, Inc. to Retail Properties of America, Inc. The Articles of Amendment, which were effective upon filing, are included as Exhibit 3.1 hereto and are incorporated herein by reference.

The Bylaws of the Company, as restated solely to reflect the change in the Company's name, are filed as Exhibit 3.2 to this Form 8-K and incorporated in this Item 5.03 by reference.

**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure**

On March 9, 2012, the Company issued a press release announcing the change in the Company's name. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this on Form 8-K.

The information in Item 7.01 of this report, including Exhibit 99.1, is being furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 of Form 8-K and shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

The following Exhibits are included with this Report:

- 3.1 Articles of Amendment of Retail Properties of America, Inc., dated March 8, 2012.
- 3.2 Fourth Amended and Restated Bylaws of Retail Properties of America, Inc.
- 99.1 Press Release, dated March 9, 2012

**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.

**RETAIL PROPERTIES OF AMERICA, INC.**  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Dennis K. Holland  
Dennis K. Holland  
General Counsel and Secretary

Date: March 9, 2012