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): February 24, 2010

Fifth Street Finance Corp.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-33901 (Commission File Number) **26-1219283** (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

10 Bank Street, 12th Floor White Plains, NY 10606

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (914) 286-6800

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On February 24, 2010, at a meeting of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Fifth Street Finance Corp. (the "Company"), Leonard M. Tannenbaum resigned from his position as President of the Company and the Board appointed Bernard D. Berman as President of the Company. Mr. Tannenbaum remains the Chief Executive Officer of the Company and the Chairman of the Board.

At the same Board meeting, Adam C. Berkman resigned from the Board due to personal time constraints and the Board appointed Richard P. Dutkiewicz to replace Mr. Berkman on the Board. Mr. Dutkiewicz will serve as a member of the Audit Committee and Valuation Committee of the Board.

Bernard D. Berman

Mr. Berman is 39 years old and has been a member of the Company's Board since February 2009. He has also been the Company's Chief Compliance Officer since April 2009 and its Secretary since October 2007. Mr. Berman is also a partner of Fifth Street Management LLC. Mr. Berman joined Fifth Street Capital LLC in 2004. He is responsible for the operations of the Company. Prior to joining Fifth Street in 2004, Mr. Berman was a corporate attorney from 1995 — 2004, during which time he negotiated and structured a variety of investment transactions. Mr. Berman graduated from Boston College Law School. He received a B.S. in Finance from Lehigh University.

Richard P. Dutkiewicz

Mr. Dutkiewicz is 54 years old and has served as Chief Financial Officer of Einstein Noah Restaurant Group since October 2003. From May 2003 to October 2003, Mr. Dutkiewicz was Vice President-Information Technology of Sirenza Microdevices, Inc. In May 2003, Sirenza Microdevices, Inc. acquired Vari-L Company, Inc. From January 2001 to May 2003, Mr. Dutkiewicz was Vice President-Finance, and Chief Financial Officer of Vari-L Company, Inc. From April 1995 to January 2001, Mr. Dutkiewicz was Vice President-Finance, Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer of Coleman Natural Products, Inc., located in Denver, Colorado. Mr. Dutkiewicz's previous experience includes senior financial management positions at Tetrad Corporation, MicroLithics Corporation and various divisions of United Technologies Corporation. Mr. Dutkiewicz began his career as an Audit Manager at KPMG LLP. Mr. Dutkiewicz received a B.B.A. degree from Loyola University of Chicago.

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.

Date: March 2, 2010 FIFTH STREET FINANCE CORP.

By: /s/ William H. Craig

Name: William H. Craig
Title: Chief Financial Officer