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)
June 1, 2017

STURM, RUGER & COMPANY, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

DELAWARE 001-10435 06-0633559
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification Number)

ONE LACEY PLACE, SOUTHPORT, CONNECTICUT 06890 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (203) 259-7843

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

Item 8.01 Other Events

On June 1, 2017, the Company issued a press release regarding the appointments of Sarah F. Colbert as Vice President of Administration, Robert J. Werkmeister, Jr. as Vice President of Marketing, and Michael W. Wilson as Vice President of Mayodan Operations. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

Press release of Sturm, Ruger & Company, Inc. dated June 1, 2017, regarding the

appointments of Sarah F. Colbert as Vice President of Administration, Robert J. Werkmeister, Jr. as Vice President of Marketing, and Michael W. Wilson as Vice

President of Mayodan Operations.

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.

STURM, RUGER & COMPANY, INC.

By: <u>S/THOMAS A</u>. DINEEN

Name: Thomas A. Dineen

Title: Principal Financial Officer,

Principal Accounting Officer Treasurer and Chief Financial

Officer

Dated: June 1, 2017



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

STURM, RUGER & COMPANY, INC. ANNOUNCES EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS

SOUTHPORT, CONNECTICUT, June 1, 2017 - Sturm, Ruger & Company, Inc. (NYSE:RGR) is pleased to announce the following executive appointments: Sarah F. Colbert as Vice President of Administration, Robert J. Werkmeister, Jr. as Vice President of Marketing, and Michael W. Wilson as Vice President of Mayodan Operations.

"Over the past few years, our team has shown that we have many high performers that are not only instrumental to our success, but also are key drivers of our future," stated Christopher J. Killoy, President and CEO. "Rob, Mickey and Sarah are three of those high performers and we are excited to promote them into roles that will help them continue to strengthen our team and drive success for years to come."

Sarah F. Colbert

Sarah, named Vice President of Administration, has served the Company in various human resource and legal capacities since joining the Company in 2011. In her most recent role as Director of Human Resources, Sarah worked with a dedicated, multi-disciplinary team to develop and launch "Ruger University," an internal program offering degree and non-degree courses designed to further associates' training and education. And as part of an ongoing effort to harmonize and simplify Company policies, practices and procedures, Sarah also guided a team to successfully implement "Workday," the Company's first cloud-based human capital management system.

Prior to joining Ruger, Sarah worked as a litigation associate at Day Pitney LLP and Ryan Ryan Deluca LLP, where she handled a wide variety of matters, including complex commercial litigation, product liability and employment disputes.

Sarah graduated from the University of Connecticut School of Law in 2005 and Suffolk University (*summa cum laude*) in 2001.

Robert J. Werkmeister, Jr.

Rob, named Vice President of Marketing, has served as Director of Marketing since January 2013, overseeing all Ruger marketing activities including brand development, product launches, media buying, advertising, and trade shows. Rob was also responsible for Ruger's web presence, including both Ruger.com and ShopRuger.com.

Prior to joining Ruger, Rob was the President and founder of Symbolic, Inc., a full-service marketing agency. While with Symbolic, Rob began working with Ruger as a client in 2002 and has been the primary strategic marketing driver for the Ruger account since 2007.

Rob holds a B.S. degree in Political Science and an M.B.A. in Marketing, with a focus on Consumer Behavior and Research, both from the University at Buffalo.

Michael W. Wilson (Mickey)

Mickey, named Vice President of Mayodan Operations, has served as Director of Mayodan Operations since June 2013, when he led the charge to create and oversee the growth of the newly acquired manufacturing facility in Mayodan, NC. Mickey previously held the position of Revolvers Business Unit Director in the Newport, NH factory from 2007 to 2013. Since joining Ruger in 2007, Mickey has been key in transforming Ruger manufacturing operations into lean value streams, creating a lean culture, and growing sales through new product introductions.

Throughout his entire career, Mickey has been involved in manufacturing operations and engineering. He served in many engineering and operational leadership capacities for TRW Automotive, Wabash National Trailer Corporation, and JeffBoat LLC.

Mickey graduated from Purdue University in 1999 with a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering Technology and received his M.B.A. from Indiana Wesleyan University in 2008.

About Sturm, Ruger & Co., Inc.

Sturm, Ruger & Co., Inc. is one of the nation's leading manufacturers of rugged, reliable firearms for the commercial sporting market. As a full-line manufacturer of American-made firearms, Ruger offers consumers over 400 variations of more than 30 product lines. For more than 60 years, Ruger has been a model of corporate and community responsibility. Our motto, "Arms Makers for Responsible Citizens[®]," echoes the importance of these principles as we work hard to deliver quality and innovative firearms.