

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)
October 21, 2004

STURM, RUGER & COMPANY, INC.
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

DELAWARE
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation)

001-10435
(Commission File Number)

06-0633559
(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**

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):

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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 October 21, 2004, the Board of Directors of the Company adopted a resolution to decrease the number of directors from seven to six. The full text of the resolution is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Resolution of the Board of Directors of Sturm, Ruger & Company, Inc. adopted by the Board of Directors on October 21, 2004 to decrease the number of directors from seven to six.

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: S/THOMAS A. DINEEN
Name: Thomas A. Dineen
Title: Principal Financial Officer,
Treasurer and Chief Financial
Officer

Dated: October 25, 2004

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
STURM, RUGER & COMPANY, INC.
AMENDMENT TO BY-LAWS

RESOLVED: that effective as of October 21, 2004, pursuant to Article 3, Section 2 of the By-Laws of the Corporation, the number of Directors constituting the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall be decreased to six (6) until such time as the number is increased or decreased by resolution of the Board of Directors.