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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): January 1, 2006

STEVEN MADDEN, LTD.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 000-23702 13-3588231

(State or other jurisdiction (Registration Number) (IRS Employer of incorporation) Identification No.)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (718) 446-1800

(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))

ITEM 1.01 ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT.

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On January 1, 2006, Steven Madden, Ltd. (the "Company") and Jamieson A. Karson executed an Employment Agreement (the "Employment Agreement"), which extended the term of Mr. Karson's employment with the Company until December 31, 2008 and otherwise further amended the Employment Agreement, dated as of May 21, 2001, by and between the Company and Jamieson A. Karson, as previously amended. Attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit 10.1 is the Employment Agreement.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

- (a) Not applicable
- (b) Not applicable
- (c) Exhibit 10.1 Employment Agreement between the Company and Jamieson A. Karson, dated as of January 1, 2006.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Steven Madden, Ltd. has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

STEVEN MADDEN, LTD.

By: /s/ JAMIESON A. KARSON

Name: Jamieson A. Karson Title: Chief Executive Officer

Date: January 5, 2006

EXHIBIT INDEX

DOC. NO. DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION

Exhibit 10.1 Employment Agreement between the Company and Jamieson A. Karson, dated as of January 1, 2006.