

SYMANTEC CORP  
Form 8-K  
November 17, 2008

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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): November 17, 2008**

**Symantec Corporation**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

**000-17781**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**77-0181864**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**20330 Stevens Creek Blvd., Cupertino, CA**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**95014**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code **(408) 517-8000**

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)
  - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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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 November 17, 2008, Symantec Corporation announced that John W. Thompson, its Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, will retire at the end of its fiscal year ending April 3, 2009. Symantec's Board of Directors (the Board) has appointed Enrique T. Salem, Symantec's current Chief Operating Officer, as its President and Chief Executive Officer and as a director, effective April 4, 2009. Following his retirement, Mr. Thompson will remain as non-executive Chairman of the Board. Mr. Salem's biographical information is reported in the Company's Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A for the fiscal year ended March 28, 2008, filed with the Commission on July 28, 2008, under the section entitled "Our Executive Officers". A press release announcing the foregoing matters is attached as Exhibit 99.01 hereto, and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

**Exhibit Number    Exhibit Title or Description**

99.01            Press release issued by Symantec Corporation, dated November 17, 2008

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**SIGNATURE**

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.

**Symantec Corporation**

Date: November 17, 2008

By: /s/ Scott C. Taylor  
Scott C. Taylor  
Executive Vice President, General Counsel and  
Secretary

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