Manning & Napier, Inc. Form 8-K April 23, 2012

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): April 18, 2012

MANNING & NAPIER, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-35355 (Commission 45-2609100 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

File Number)

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290 Woodcliff Drive, Fairport, New York 14450

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(585) 325-6880

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On April 18, 2012, Michael J. Serventi passed away unexpectedly. Mr. Serventi was appointed to Manning & Napier, Inc. s (the Company) board of directors as an independent director on March 20, 2012. As a member of the Company s board, Mr. Serventi was selected to serve on the Nominating and Corporate Governance, Compensation and Audit Committees.

The Company intends to fill Mr. Serventi s vacancy. No timetable has been announced for the appointment of a new board member. Until a replacement can be identified, the Company s board will consist of five members, two of which are independent directors.

SIGNATURES

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

Manning & Napier, Inc.

Date: April 20, 2012

By: /s/ Patrick Cunningham

Name: Patrick Cunningham

Title: Chief Executive Officer