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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): March 2, 2009

**KORN/FERRY INTERNATIONAL**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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

**001-14505**  
(Commission File Number)

**95-2623879**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**1900 Avenue of the Stars, Suite 2600**  
**Los Angeles, California**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**90067**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(310) 552-1834**

**Not Applicable**  
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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)
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  - ☐ 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 March 2, 2009, Paul C. Reilly provided Korn/Ferry International (the “Company”) with notice of his resignation as Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company and President of the Company’s EMEA division, effective April 30, 2009. A copy of the Company’s press release announcing the foregoing is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1                      Press Release, dated March 2, 2009.

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## 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.

**KORN/FERRY INTERNATIONAL**

(Registrant)

Date: March 5, 2009

/s/ Gary D. Burnison

(Signature)

Name: Gary D. Burnison

Title: Chief Executive Officer

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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press release, dated March 2, 2009.

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**Korn/Ferry Announces Leadership Succession Plans**

*— Paul C. Reilly to Transition Out of Executive Chairman Role Upon End of Fiscal Year —*

**LOS ANGELES, Calif., March 2, 2009** — Korn/Ferry International (NYSE: KFY), a premier global provider of talent management solutions, today announced that Paul C. Reilly will be stepping down from his roles as Executive Chairman and President of Korn/Ferry's EMEA division effective April 30, 2009 as part of a planned succession effort. Mr. Reilly has accepted the role of President of Raymond James Financial, a diversified financial services company, headquartered in St. Petersburg, Florida. Mr. Reilly has served on the Raymond James board of directors since 2005.

Mr. Reilly joined Korn/Ferry in June 2001 as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. During his tenure, Mr. Reilly spearheaded the Firm's transformational strategy from an executive recruiting to a diversified talent management solutions provider. In April of 2007, Korn/Ferry announced the transition of the role of Chief Executive Officer from Mr. Reilly to Gary D. Burnison.

"Korn/Ferry is forever grateful to Paul Reilly," said Mr. Burnison. "Under his stewardship, we regained the top spot in the industry, established a culture built around collaboration and best teaming and have put the pieces in place to further our transformation as a leading talent management solutions provider. Although our succession has been well-planned and the transition proceeded exceedingly smoothly, it is still bittersweet to see Paul depart for his next adventure. We wish him well."

"I am very proud of the people, the progress and the achievements we have made at Korn/Ferry over the past eight years," said Mr. Reilly. "During this time we have created something very unique, bringing science to a time-tested art and expanding our capabilities to help our clients manage the retention and development of its people, not just the attraction of new talent. I am thankful for the numerous deep and personal relationships I have made here and I will remain close to the organization as it makes new strides and breaks new ground in the years ahead."

**About Korn/Ferry International**

Korn/Ferry International (NYSE:KFY), with more than 90 offices in 40 countries, is a premier global provider of talent management solutions. Based in Los Angeles, the firm delivers an array of solutions that help clients to identify, deploy, develop, retain and reward their talent. For more information on the Korn/Ferry International family of companies, visit [www.kornferry.com](http://www.kornferry.com).