

Ascena Retail Group, Inc.
Form 8-K
September 09, 2014

**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**

**September 9, 2014
Date of Report (date of earliest event reported)**

ASCENA RETAIL GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware **0-11736** **30-0641353**
(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer
incorporation) Identification Number)

933 MacArthur Boulevard
Mahwah, New Jersey 07430

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(551) 777-6700

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(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 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

Effective on September 4, 2014, Ascena Retail Group, Inc. (the “Company”) entered into an agreement with Ernest LaPorte. The agreement was an offer letter for employment with the Company which commenced on September 9, 2014. A copy of the agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

On September 9, 2014, the Company issued a press release announcing the appointment of Ernest LaPorte to serve as Senior Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2 and is incorporated herein by reference.

For the last seven years, Mr. LaPorte held the position of SVP, Controller at Saks Incorporated. Prior to Saks, Mr. LaPorte gained experience at the Movado Group, Inc. as VP of Finance and Principal Accounting Officer and Barnes & Noble where he spent six years in finance. Mr. LaPorte has also held various accounting and finance leadership positions at General Electric.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Employment Offer Letter effective September 4, 2014.
99.2	Press Release of Ascena Retail Group, Inc. dated September 9, 2014.

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.

ASCENA RETAIL GROUP, INC.

(Registrant)

Date: September 9, 2014

By: /s/ David Jaffe

David Jaffe
President and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)