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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): October 10, 2017

ADAMAS PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware001-3639942-1560076(State or other jurisdiction(Commission File Number)(IRS Employer Identification No.)of incorporation)1900 Powell Street, Suite 750946081900 Powell Street, CA94608(Address of principal executive offices)(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (510) 450-3500

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligations of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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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))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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

On October 10, 2017, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Adamas Pharmaceuticals, Inc., appointed Mardi C. Dier as a member of the Board and a member of the Audit Committee of the Board, replacing David Mahoney on that Committee. Ms. Dier will serve as a Class II director, the term of which class expires at the 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

Ms. Dier will be entitled to compensation under Adamas's standard compensation arrangements for non-employee directors, which is as follows for a member of the Board and Audit Committee:

an annual cash fee for service as a director during the year of \$35,000;

an annual cash fee for service as a member of the Audit Committee of \$7,500;

an initial stock option grant for 30,000 shares of Adamas common stock as of the date of appointment, with an exercise price per share equal to the fair market value of a share on the date of grant, which will vest annually over three years, subject to the continuous service with Adamas, and which vesting will accelerate in full upon a change in control of Adamas; and

on the date of each Adamas annual meeting of stockholders an annual stock option grant for 15,000 shares of Adamas common stock, with an exercise price per share equal to the fair market value of a share on the date of grant, which will vest after one year, subject to the continuous service with Adamas, and which vesting will accelerate in full upon a change in control of Adamas.

Ms. Dier will also enter into Adamas's standard form of indemnification agreement between Adamas and its directors and executive officers.

On October 10, 2017, Richard H. Booth also retired from the Adamas Board of Directors, effective immediately.

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.

ADAMAS PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. Dated: October 11, 2017 By:/s/ Jennifer Rhodes Jennifer Rhodes Chief Business Officer and General Counsel

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