
**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 20, 2019

MANNING & NAPIER, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-35355
(Commission
File Number)

45-2609100
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

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)

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:

- 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))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2). 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 8.01. Other Events.

On March 20, 2019, Manning & Napier, Inc. (the “Company”) announced the appointment of Christopher Briley as Chief Technology Officer (“CTO”), effective immediately.

Mr. Briley has 20 years of IT experience, nine years of which have been spent in the asset management industry. Most recently, Briley was Managing Director and Head of Corporate Application Solutions at Legg Mason. He previously served as the Head of Technology Business Management, with responsibility for project management, QA/QC, vendor management, and business continuity. In between his terms at Legg Mason, Briley spent six years at networking systems firm Ciena as Senior Director of Global Applications and Architecture. He holds a Bachelor’s degree in Economics from The University of North Carolina at Greensboro and a Master of Science in Project Management from Penn State University.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description of Exhibit</u>
99	<u>Press Release issued by Manning & Napier, Inc. on March 20, 2019.</u>

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.

Date: March 20, 2019

Manning & Napier, Inc.

By: /s/ Sarah C. Turner

Name: Sarah C. Turner

Title: Corporate Secretary



Manning & Napier, Inc. Appoints Chris Briley as Chief Technology Officer

FAIRPORT, NY, March 20, 2019 – Manning & Napier, Inc. (NYSE: MN), (“Manning & Napier” or “the Company”) today announced that it has appointed Chris Briley as Chief Technology Officer (“CTO”), effective immediately. He joins the Company with nine years of information technology experience specifically within the asset management industry, and 20 years of overall IT experience. He will report to Chief Executive Officer Marc Mayer.

Briley’s appointment furthers Manning & Napier’s commitment to leveraging innovation and technology to enhance and modernize its business. As CTO, Briley will guide the Company’s IT strategy, supporting all business functions in a way which generates efficiencies and progresses the company’s IT infrastructure.

Most recently, Briley was Managing Director and Head of Corporate Application Solutions at Legg Mason, where he was responsible for global distribution and shared services technology platforms. He previously served as the Head of Technology Business Management, with responsibility for project management, QA/QC, vendor management, and business continuity. In between his terms at Legg Mason, Briley spent six years at networking systems firm Ciena as Senior Director of Global Applications and Architecture. He holds a Bachelor’s degree in Economics from The University of North Carolina at Greensboro and a Master of Science in Project Management from Penn State University.

Marc Mayer, Chief Executive Officer for Manning & Napier, commented, “I am thrilled to welcome a world-class professional such as Chris to our team at Manning & Napier. Chris’ leadership and experience in IT uniquely qualifies him to help improve our business. As the asset management industry becomes ever more reliant on technology and innovation, it is critical that we keep pace. Mayer added, “We have identified the enhancement of our IT infrastructure as critical to the firm’s future growth. The addition of Chris demonstrates our commitment to improving our business, allowing us to deliver excellent service to our clients and partners.”

About Manning & Napier, Inc.

Manning & Napier (NYSE: MN) provides a broad range of investment solutions as well as a variety of consultative services that complement our investment process. Founded in 1970, we offer equity, fixed income and alternative strategies, as well as a range of blended asset portfolios, such as life cycle funds. We serve a diversified client base of high-net-worth individuals and institutions, including 401(k) plans, pension plans, Taft-Hartley plans, endowments and foundations. For many of these clients, our relationship goes beyond investment management and includes customized solutions that address key issues and solve client-specific problems. We are headquartered in Fairport, NY.

Contacts

Investor Relations Contact

Sean Silva
Prosek Partners
646-818-9122
ssilva@prosek.com

Public Relations Contact

Nicole Kingsley Brunner
Manning & Napier, Inc.
585-325-6880
nbrunner@manning-napier.com

###