

STEVEN MADDEN, LTD.  
Form 8-K  
December 17, 2009

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549**

**FORM 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: December 14, 2009  
(Date of earliest event reported)

**STEVEN MADDEN, LTD.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware

000-23702

13-3588231

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

52-16 Barnett Avenue, Long Island City, New York 11104

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (718) 446-1800

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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 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.**

On December 14, 2009, Steven Madden, Ltd. (the Company ) entered into an amendment (the Amendment ) to its existing employment agreement, dated July 15, 2005 and effective July 1, 2005 (the Madden Employment Agreement ), with Steven Madden, the Company s Creative and Design Chief. The Amendment, the full text of which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference, amends the Madden Employment Agreement to extend the term of Mr. Madden s employment through December 31, 2019. All other terms of the Madden Employment Agreement remain unchanged.

The foregoing description of the Amendment to the Madden Employment Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Amendment filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K, which is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits:

**Exhibit Description**

10.1 Amendment dated December 14, 2009 to Third Amended Employment Agreement between the Company and Steven Madden

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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.

Dated: December 17, 2009

**STEVEN MADDEN, LTD.**

By: /s/ Edward R. Rosenfeld

Name: Edward R. Rosenfeld  
Title: Chief Executive Officer

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