

ADVANCE AUTO PARTS INC  
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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**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) September 8, 2004**

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**ADVANCE AUTO PARTS, INC.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**001-16797**  
(Commission File Number)

**54-2049910**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**5673 Airport Road, Roanoke, Virginia**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**24012**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code (540) 362-4911**

**Not Applicable**

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, 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))

**INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT**

**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.**

On September 8, 2004, the Board of Directors of Advance Auto Parts, Inc. appointed Michael N. Coppola as a new director. Mr. Coppola has been with Advance Auto Parts, Inc. since February 2001 and currently serves as its Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer.

**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.**

Additionally, on September 10, 2004, Advance Auto Parts, Inc. issued a press release announcing that Lawrence P. Castellani, its Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, will retire as Chief Executive Officer effective May 19, 2005 after its annual stockholders meeting but will remain Chairman of the Board. Michael N. Coppola has been designated to become its Chief Executive Officer at that time. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

*Note: The information contained in Item 7.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1) shall not be deemed to be filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section.*

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits.

**Exhibit  
Number**

99.1 Press Release of Advance Auto Parts, Inc. dated September 10, 2004.

**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.

ADVANCE AUTO PARTS, INC.

(Registrant)

Date September 14, 2004

/s/ Jeffrey T. Gray

(Signature)\*  
Jeffrey T. Gray  
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

\* Print name and title of the signing officer under his signature.

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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