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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) December 8, 2009

ADVANCE AUTO PARTS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-16797 54-2049910 (State or other jurisdiction of File Number) 54-2049910

incorporation or Identification No.)

organization)

Virginia

5008 Airport Road, Roanoke, 24012

(Zip Code)

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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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INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

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

Election of Frances X. Frei as a Director

Effective December 8, 2009, Frances X. Frei, the UPS Foundation Professor of Service Management in Harvard Business School's Technology and Operations Management Department, was elected to the Board of Directors of Advance Auto Parts, Inc. (the "Company"). Ms. Frei is also the Co-Founder of Concire Leadership Institute, LLC, a provider of customized learning and advisory services to help individuals and organizations achieve exceptional performance. Ms. Frei, age 46, has served in her current role at the Harvard Business School since July 2009. Previously Ms. Frei served at the Harvard Business School as Associate Professor from July 2003 to July 2009 and as Assistant Professor from July 1998 to July 2003.

The Board has determined that Ms. Frei is an independent director within the meaning of the listing standards of the New York Stock Exchange because she has no material relationship with the Company or its subsidiaries and she satisfies the "bright line independence" criteria set forth in Section 303A.02(b) of the NYSE's listing standards. The Board has also appointed Ms. Frei to the Board's Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee.

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)

/s/ Michael A. Norona

(Signature)*
Michael A. Norona

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary

^{*} Print name and title of the signing officer under his signature.