CAPITAL ONE FINANCIAL CORP Form 8-K March 09, 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 (Date of earliest event reported): March 9, 2009

CAPITAL ONE FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its chapter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

1-13300 (Commission File Number) 54-1719854 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Identification No.)

1680 Capital One Drive,

McLean, Virginia
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (703) 720-1000

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- 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))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On March 9, 2009, Capital One Financial Corporation issued a press release announcing that its Board of Directors expects to reduce the company s quarterly dividend from \$0.375 per share to \$0.05 per share, beginning in the second quarter of 2009. The next dividend is expected to be declared in April and paid in May. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits. (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description of Exhibit

99.1 Press release, dated March 9, 2009.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this Current Report on Form 8-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: March 9, 2009

CAPITAL ONE FINANCIAL CORPORATION

By: /s/ John G. Finneran, Jr. **John G. Finneran, Jr.**

General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description of Exhibit 99.1 Press Release, dated March 9, 2009.

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