

EQUUS TOTAL RETURN, INC.

Form 8-K

May 19, 2015

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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): May 14, 2015

**EQUUS TOTAL RETURN, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

<b>Delaware</b>	<b>814-00098</b>	<b>76-0345915</b>
(State or Other Jurisdiction Of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**700 Louisiana Street, 48<sup>th</sup> Floor**

**Houston, Texas**

**77020**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (713) 529-0900**

**N/A**

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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**Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.**

At the Annual Meeting of Stockholders held on May 14, 2015 (“Annual Meeting”), the stockholders of Equus Total Return, Inc. (“Equus” or the “Fund”) voted on three proposals, which are described in detail in the Fund’s Proxy Statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 16, 2015: (i) to elect nine director nominees, each for a term of one year (“Proposal 1”), (ii) to ratify the appointment of BDO USA, LLP as the Fund’s independent auditor for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015 (“Proposal 2”), and (iii) to approve on a non-binding advisory basis, the compensation paid to the Fund’s named executive officers in 2014 (“Proposal 3”).

A voting report was produced by a representative of Georgeson, Inc., serving as Inspector of Elections for the Annual Meeting, certifying the following results:

**Proposal 1 (election of directors):**

Board of Directors Nominees	For	Withheld	Broker Non-Votes
Fraser Atkinson	8,352,522	2,567,841	0
Alessandro Benedetti	8,369,689	2,550,674	0
Richard F. Bergner	8,347,802	2,572,561	0
Kenneth I. Denos	8,375,554	2,544,809	0
Gregory J. Flanagan	8,347,209	2,573,154	0
Henry W. Hankinson	8,357,344	2,563,019	0
John A. Hardy	8,377,346	2,543,017	0
Robert L. Knauss	6,354,515	4,565,848	0
Bertrand des Pallieres	8,374,159	2,546,204	0

There were no votes against or abstained with respect to any director nominee.

**Proposal 2 (ratification of auditors):**

<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstained</b>	<b>Broker Non-Votes</b>
9,662,946	1,057,035	397,802	0

**Proposal 3 (non-binding approval of executive compensation in 2014):**

<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstained</b>	<b>Broker Non-Votes</b>
7,177,599	2,019,884	91,579	0

Brokers did not have discretionary voting authority on Proposal 2.

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On May 19, 2015, the Fund issued a press release announcing the results of the Annual Meeting described in Item 5.07 above. The text of the press release is included as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

**(d) Exhibits.**

99.1 Press release issued on May 19, 2015 by Equus Total Return, Inc.





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.

Equus Total Return, Inc.

Date: May 19, 2015 By: /s/ Kenneth I. Denos  
Name: Kenneth I. Denos  
Title: Secretary