
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):
November 4, 2019

COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR COMPANY
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Oregon
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

000-23939
(Commission
File Number)

93-0498284
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

14375 Northwest Science Park Drive
Portland, Oregon 97229
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

(503) 985-4000
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

No Change
(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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
 Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
 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))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common stock	COLM	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

ITEM 7.01 OTHER EVENTS

On November 4, 2019, Columbia Sportswear Company (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that Timothy P. Boyle, President and Chief Executive Officer, will serve as Acting Chairman of the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board") following the passing of Gertrude Boyle until the Board takes action on formal appointment of a new Chairman of the Board. In such press release the Company also provided details regarding Mrs. Boyle's share ownership in the Company. A copy of the Company's press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference. The information in this report shall not be treated as filed for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits

[99.1](#) Press Release, dated November 4, 2019 (furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 hereof).

104 Cover Page Interactive Data File, formatted in Inline XBRL and included as Exhibit 101.

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.

COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR COMPANY

Dated: November 4, 2019

By: /S/ JIM A. SWANSON

Jim A. Swanson

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

November 4, 2019



Tim Boyle to Serve as Acting Chairman of Columbia Sportswear Company's Board of Directors Following the Passing of Gert Boyle; Details Regarding Share Ownership

PORTLAND, Ore.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Columbia Sportswear Company (Nasdaq: COLM, the "Company"), a leading innovator in active outdoor apparel, footwear, accessories and equipment, today announced that, in accordance with prior actions by the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board"), President and CEO Timothy P. Boyle will serve as Acting Chairman of the Board following the passing of Gertrude Boyle. The Board intends to consider and take action regarding the formal appointment of a new Chairman of the Board at its next regularly scheduled Board meeting in January 2020.

In addition to her leadership role within the Company, Mrs. Boyle held a substantial number of shares of the Company's common stock. As of April 1, 2019, Gertrude Boyle held 9.4 million shares of the Company's common stock, representing approximately 14% of the total shares outstanding. It is anticipated that the executor of Mrs. Boyle's estate will be Sarah A. Bany, a longtime member of the Board and the sister of Timothy P. Boyle. The Company understands that Mrs. Boyle's estate plans call for the disposition of assets (which may include shares of the Company's common stock) primarily to charitable foundations founded by family members, as well as directly to family members. The Company further understands that under current tax law, family charitable foundations receiving shares of the Company's common stock would have up to five years to sell those shares, subject to any extensions. The Company intends to work with the parties to ensure the orderly transition of share ownership over the coming years.

Forward-Looking Statements

This document contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws. Forward-looking statements often use words such as "will", "anticipate", "estimate", "expect", "should", "may" and other words and terms of similar meaning or reference future dates. The Company's expectations, beliefs and projections are expressed in good faith and are believed to have a reasonable basis; however, each forward-looking statement involves a number of risks and uncertainties, including those set forth in this document. The Company cautions that forward-looking statements are inherently less reliable than historical information. The Company does not undertake any duty to update any of the forward-looking statements after the date of this document to conform them to reflect changes in events, circumstances or its expectations.

About Columbia Sportswear Company

Columbia Sportswear Company has assembled a portfolio of brands for active lives, making it a leader in the global active lifestyle apparel, footwear, accessories, and equipment industry. Founded in 1938 in Portland, Oregon, the Company's brands are today sold in approximately 90 countries. In addition to the Columbia® brand, Columbia Sportswear Company also owns the Mountain Hardwear®, SOREL® and prAna® brands. To learn more, please visit the Company's websites at www.columbia.com, www.mountainhardwear.com, www.sorel.com, and www.pрана.com.

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