

BOWNE & CO INC  
Form 8-K  
July 11, 2006

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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):

July 11, 2006

**Bowne & Co., Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

1-05842

13-2618477

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

55 Water Street, New York, New York

10041

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

212-924-5500

Not Applicable

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)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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

Bowne & Co., Inc. (NYSE: BNE) announced that Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Philip E. Kucera intends to retire from the Company effective December 31, 2006. President and Chief Operating Officer David J. Shea will become Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President immediately upon Kucera's retirement. Kucera will continue to serve as a member of the Bowne Board of Directors.

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**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.

Bowne & Co., Inc.

*July 10, 2006*

By: *Scott L. Spitzer*

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*Name: Scott L. Spitzer*

*Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary*

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<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press Release dated July 10, 2006 announcing David J. Shea to Succeed Philip E. Kucera