

Medidata Solutions, Inc.
Form 8-K
February 16, 2016

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): February 11, 2016

Medidata Solutions, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-34387
(Commission
File Number)

13-4066508
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

350 Hudson Street, 9th Floor

10014

New York, New York
(Address of principal executive offices) **(Zip Code)**
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 918-1800

Not Applicable

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

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

Item 5.03. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

Bylaw Amendment

On February 11, 2016, the Board of Directors (the Board) of Medidata Solutions, Inc. (the Company) amended Section 3.13 of Company s Amended and Restated Bylaws (the Bylaws) consistent with Section 141(k) of the Delaware General Corporation Law, to delete language providing that stockholders may remove directors only for cause.

The foregoing summary description of certain provisions of the Bylaws is qualified in its entirety by the full text of the Bylaws, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 3.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Proposal to Amend Company s Restated Certificate of Incorporation

On February 11, 2016, the Board declared advisable an amendment to Article VIII of the Company s Fourth Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, consistent with Section 141(k) of the Delaware General Corporation Law, to delete language providing that stockholders may remove directors only for cause. The Board directed that such amendment be proposed at the Company s next annual meeting of stockholders to be held in 2016.

Consistent with the Board s action, and in light of a recent ruling by the Delaware Chancery Court, the Company will not enforce the only for-cause director removal provision.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

3.1 Amended and Restated Bylaws of Medidata Solutions, Inc., as amended on February 11, 2016.

SIGNATURE

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.

MEDIDATA SOLUTIONS, INC.

Date: February 16, 2016

By: /s/ MICHAEL I. OTNER

Name: Michael I. Otner

Title: Executive Vice President, General Counsel and
Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
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