
**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): **January 18, 2019**

VIRTU FINANCIAL, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-37352
(Commission File No.)

32-0420206
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**300 Vesey Street
New York, NY 10282**
(Address of principal executive offices)

(212) 418-0100
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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 (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- 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))

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 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR CERTAIN OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS; COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF CERTAIN OFFICERS.

(b)

On January 18, 2019, General John P. Abizaid (Ret.) resigned from the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of Virtu Financial, Inc. (the “Company”) and the Board’s Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and Compensation Committee, effective immediately. General Abizaid is departing to pursue other opportunities and not due to any disagreement with the Board or the Company’s management or any matter relating to the Company’s operations, policies or practices. Following General Abizaid’s resignation, the Board consists of eleven directors. The Board may seek to add one or more new directors as business needs and opportunities arise.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press release of Virtu Financial, Inc., dated January 18, 2019

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.

VIRTU FINANCIAL, INC.

By: /s/ JUSTIN WALDIE

Name: Justin Waldie

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

Dated: January 18, 2019

General John P. Abizaid Retires from Virtu Board of Directors

NEW YORK, NY, January 18, 2019 — Virtu Financial, Inc. (NASDAQ: VIRT), a leading technology-enabled market maker and liquidity provider to the global financial markets, today announced that General John P. Abizaid has retired from the company's Board of Directors after over seven years of service. As was previously announced, General Abizaid has been nominated by President Donald J. Trump to serve as the Ambassador to Saudi Arabia.

"We at Virtu are all grateful for General Abizaid's leadership and contributions to Virtu," said Robert Greifeld, Chairman of Virtu. "He has served the company from its early days as a private company and has added significant value throughout his tenure."

General Abizaid submitted his resignation from the Board of Directors of Virtu Financial, Inc. and the Board's Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and Compensation Committee, effective immediately.

Following General Abizaid's retirement, the Board consists of eleven directors. The Board may seek to add one or more new directors as business needs and opportunities arise.

About Virtu Financial, Inc.

Virtu is a leading financial firm that leverages cutting edge technology to deliver liquidity to the global markets and innovative, transparent trading solutions to our clients. As a market maker, Virtu provides deep liquidity that helps to create more efficient markets around the world. Our market structure expertise, broad diversification, and execution technology enables us to provide competitive bids and offers in over 25,000 securities, at over 235 venues, in 36 countries worldwide.

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