

GLADSTONE LAND Corp
Form 8-K
October 07, 2014

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):

October 7, 2014

Gladstone Land Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland

001-35795

54-1892552

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission
File Number)

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

1521 Westbranch Drive , Suite 100, McLean,
Virginia

22102

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

7032875893

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On October 7, 2014, the board of directors of Gladstone Land Corporation (the "Company") elected Walter H. Wilkinson, Jr. to the board to fill a vacancy resulting from the death of a former director. Mr. Wilkinson was also appointed a member of each of the Company's Compensation Committee and Ethics, Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, effective immediately. Mr. Wilkinson is an "independent director" within the meaning of NASDAQ Stock Market Marketplace Rule 5605(a)(2) and Section 10A of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Because Mr. Wilkinson is filling a vacancy on our board, Mr. Wilkinson's initial term will expire on the date of the Company's 2015 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

Mr. Wilkinson is the founder and a general partner of Kitty Hawk Capital, a venture capital firm established in 1980 and based in Charlotte, North Carolina. He has served as a director of RF Micro Devices (NASDAQ: RFMD) since 1992 and has served as the Chairman of the Board of Directors since July 2008. He currently serves on the board of the N.C. State University Foundation and has previously served on the boards of other universities and related organizations. He is a past member and director of the National Venture Capital Association and is a past member and Chairman of the National Association of Small Business Investment Companies. He is currently Chairman of the Carolinas Chapter of the National Association of Corporate Directors ("NACD") and is a NACD Leadership Fellow, having completed the NACD's program for corporate directors. During his career he has helped to start or expand dozens of rapidly growing companies in a variety of industries. Mr. Wilkinson serves or has served as a director of numerous venture-backed companies, both public and private. The Company issued a press release announcing the election of Mr. Wilkinson, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

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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.

Gladstone Land Corporation

October 7, 2014

By: */s/ Lewis Parrish*

*Name: Lewis Parrish
Title: Chief Financial Officer*

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| 99.1 | 99.1 Press Release of Gladstone Land Corporation, dated October 7, 2014. |