RAYONIER INC

Form 8-K

January 04, 2012

**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 3, 2012

RAYONIER INC.

**COMMISSION FILE NUMBER 1-6780** 

Incorporated in the State of North Carolina

I.R.S. Employer Identification Number 13-2607329

1301 Riverplace Boulevard, Jacksonville, Florida 32207

(Principal Executive Office)

Telephone Number: (904) 357-9100

Check the appropriate box below if the form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligations of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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

Thomas I. Morgan was elected to Rayonier Inc.'s Board of Directors effective January 3, 2012. Mr. Morgan is expected to be appointed to one or more Board committees upon the recommendation of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and approval by the Board of Directors.

### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

A copy of the press release announcing the election of Mr. Morgan is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

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### **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.

RAYONIER INC. (Registrant)

BY: /s/ HANS E. VANDEN NOORT

Hans E. Vanden Noort Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

January 4, 2012

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### **EXHIBIT INDEX**

EXHIBIT NO. DESCRIPTION LOCATION

Rayonier issued a press release titled "Rayonier Elects Thomas I. Morgan to

Board of Directors" on January 3, 2012.

Furnished herewith

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