

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 13 2006

STURM, RUGER & COMPANY, INC.
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

DELAWARE
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation)

001-10435
(Commission File Number)

06-0633559
(IRS Employer Identification
Number)

ONE LACEY PLACE, SOUTHPORT, CONNECTICUT 06890
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(203) 259-7843**

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)
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- 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))

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

On February 14, 2006, the Company issued a press release regarding the resignation of William B. Ruger, Jr. as Chairman of the Board of Directors and as a Director of the Company effective February 13, 2006, and as Chief Executive Officer of the Company effective February 28, 2006. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press release of Sturm, Ruger & Company, Inc. dated February 14, 2006, regarding the resignation of William B. Ruger, Jr. as Chairman of the Board of Directors, Director, and Chief Executive Officer of the Company.

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.

STURM, RUGER & COMPANY, INC.

By: S/THOMAS A. DINEEN
Name: Thomas A. Dineen
Title: Principal Financial Officer,
Treasurer and Chief Financial
Officer

Dated: February 14, 2006



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STURM, RUGER & CO., INC. ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT OF WILLIAM B. RUGER, JR.

SOUTHPORT, CT – February 14, 2006– Sturm, Ruger & Company, Inc. (NYSE:RGR) announces the retirement of Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer William B. Ruger, Jr., effective February 28, 2006. He has also resigned as Chairman of the Board and Board Member of the Sturm, Ruger Board of Directors, effective February 13, 2006. It is anticipated that his successor will be elected and named by the Board of Directors within the next few months. Vice Chairman of the Board, President, and Chief Operating Officer Stephen L. Sanetti will assume Mr. Ruger’s duties on an interim basis.

“Bill Ruger Jr. has been a key member of management since he joined the Company 42 years ago,” said Sturm, Ruger President Stephen L. Sanetti. “He has been Director of Manufacturing Operations of our Southport, CT facility, a Vice President of the Company, and has served with distinction as the Company’s President for many years. He has occupied his current position since the retirement of the Company’s co-founder William B. Ruger, Sr. on October 24, 2000. He is a brilliant and sagacious individual whose singular presence we will miss, and we sincerely wish him a well-earned and personally satisfying retirement,” Sanetti concluded.

Sturm, Ruger is the nation’s leading manufacturer of high-quality firearms for recreation and law enforcement, and a major producer of precision steel and titanium investment castings. Sturm, Ruger is headquartered in Southport, CT, with plants and foundries located in Newport, NH and Prescott, AZ.

The Company may, from time to time, make forward-looking statements and projections concerning future expectations. Such statements are based on current expectations and are subject to certain qualifying risks and uncertainties, such as turnover of members of the Board of Directors, officers, and other key personnel, market demand, sales levels of firearms, anticipated castings sales and earnings, the need for external financing for operations or capital expenditures, the results of pending litigation against the Company including lawsuits filed by mayors, attorneys general and other governmental entities, and the impact of future firearms control and environmental legislation, any one or more of which could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected. Readers are

cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date made. The Company undertakes no obligation to publish revised forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date such forward-looking statements are made or to reflect the occurrence of subsequent unanticipated events.

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