

**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 15, 2018

SPIRIT AIRLINES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-35186

(Commission File Number)

38-1747023

(IRS Employer Identification Number)

2800 Executive Way
Miramar, Florida 33025

(Address of principal executive offices, including Zip Code)

(954) 447-7920

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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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 15, 2018, the Board of Directors (“Board”) of Spirit Airlines, Inc. (the “Company”) appointed Scott M. Haralson as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company, effective October 16, 2018. In that role, he will succeed Edward (Ted) M. Christie III who was promoted to President and Chief Financial Officer on January 1, 2018 and who will become President and Chief Executive Officer on January 1, 2019. A copy of the Company’s press release of October 17, 2018 is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Mr. Haralson, age 45, has served as the Company’s Vice President Financial Planning and Analysis and Corporate Real Estate since August 2017 and, prior to that, as its Vice President Financial Planning and Analysis since he joined the Company in April 2012. From January 2010 to August 2012, Mr. Haralson served as the Director of Finance for Dish Network and from January 2009 to January 2010, as the Director of Financial Planning and Analysis for Frontier Airlines. He also served as Chief Financial Officer at Guardian Gaming from March 2008 to January 2009 and at Swift Aviation from July 2006 to March 2008. From August 2000 to July 2006, Mr. Haralson served in various financial management positions at America West and US Airways

Under the terms of an offer letter between the Company and Mr. Haralson, Mr. Haralson’s annual base salary will be \$325,000, subject to such increases as the Board may determine in its discretion (with the first review occurring on or about February 1, 2020). He will be eligible for an annual performance-based bonus opportunity with a target achievement of 70% of his annual base salary, with actual payment ranging from 0% to 200% of said target. In connection with his appointment, Mr. Haralson will receive an off-cycle equity-based grant of restricted stock units having a grant date value of \$50,000 and vesting 50%, 25% and 25% on the second, third and fourth anniversaries of the grant date. He will be entitled to receive annual long-term incentive awards in accordance with the Company’s normal executive compensation practices. It is contemplated that the 2019 annual long-term incentive award at the Senior Vice President level will have a grant date target range value of \$225,000 to \$675,000 and will be split 40/60 between restricted stock units, vesting 25% annually over four years, and performance share units, to be settled in shares of Company common stock after a three-year measurement period. The one-time off-cycle grant and any subsequent annual grants will be subject to the terms of the Company’s 2015 Incentive Award Plan and the respective award agreements.

Mr. Haralson will be entitled to the vacation, travel and other benefits afforded to other senior executives of the Company. He will be eligible for coverage under the Company’s 2017 Executive Severance Plan. He also will be subject to customary covenants relating to Company confidential and proprietary information and trade secrets, and to customary non-solicitation, and non-disparagement covenants.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated October 17, 2018.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: October 17, 2018

SPIRIT AIRLINES, INC.
By: /s/ Thomas Canfield
Name: Thomas Canfield
Title: Senior Vice President and

General Counsel

EXHIBIT INDEX

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99.1 [Press Release dated October 17, 2018.](#)



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Spirit Airlines has Appointed Scott M. Haralson as Chief Financial Officer

MIRAMAR, Fla., October 17, 2018 - Spirit Airlines, Inc. (NYSE: SAVE) announced today that its board of directors has promoted Scott M. Haralson to the position of Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (CFO) effective October 16, 2018. Haralson has over 18 years of airline experience and most recently served as Spirit's Vice President of Financial Planning and Analysis and Corporate Real Estate.

Haralson succeeds Edward (Ted) Morgan Christie as CFO. Christie was promoted to President earlier this year and will become Spirit's Chief Executive Officer on January 1, 2019, succeeding Bob Fornaro.

In this expanded role, Haralson will serve as a key member of the senior leadership team and oversee Treasury, Investor Relations, Accounting, Financial Planning and Analysis, and Corporate Real Estate.

"Scott's industry knowledge and experience leading Spirit's finance department make him well suited to assume the role as CFO," said Robert Fornaro, Spirit's Chief Executive Officer.

"For the last six years, Scott has made significant contributions in helping Spirit improve its cost structure and grow its relative cost advantage. Throughout his tenure at Spirit, Scott has been a key leader within the business, increasing the scope and complexity of his role. I look forward to working with Scott in this expanded role," said Ted Christie, Spirit's President.

"I am honored to accept the position of Chief Financial Officer for Spirit Airlines," said Scott Haralson. "I look forward to continuing to work with our team to implement business strategies that add value for all our stakeholders and enhance our industry-leading cost position."

Haralson joined Spirit in 2012 as its Vice President Financial Planning and Analysis. He began his professional career in corporate banking working primarily on structured finance deals. Haralson began his airline career at America West Airlines (and what would become US Airways) where he served in a variety of roles of increasing responsibility. He has also held financial management positions with Frontier Airlines, Swift Aviation, and Dish Network.

Haralson received his MBA in Finance from the University of Mississippi.

About Spirit Airlines:

Spirit Airlines (NYSE: SAVE) is committed to delivering the best value in the sky while providing an exceptional Guest experience. We are the leader in providing customizable travel options starting with an unbundled fare. This allows every Guest to pay only for the options they choose - like bags, seat assignments, and refreshments - something we call *À La Smarte*. We make it possible for our Guests to venture further, travel more often, and discover more than ever before. Our *Fit Fleet*[®] is one of the youngest and most fuel-efficient in the U.S. We operate more than 500 daily flights to 69 destinations in the U.S., Latin America, and the Caribbean, and are dedicated to giving back and improving the communities we serve. Come save with us at www.spirit.com. At Spirit Airlines, we go. We go for you.