
**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): February 8, 2016

ADTRAN, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State of Incorporation)

0-24612
(Commission
file number)

63-0918200
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

**901 Explorer Boulevard,
Huntsville, Alabama 35806-2807**
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(256) 963-8000
(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 (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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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 February 8, 2016, the Board of Directors appointed Anthony Melone as a director to serve until the 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, filling a previously existing vacancy. The Board of Directors expects to appoint Mr. Melone to serve on the Audit, Compensation, and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committees of the Board of Directors.

In connection with his appointment to the Board of Directors, Mr. Melone will be eligible to receive ADTRAN's standard annual compensation for non-employee directors, as has been previously disclosed. Accordingly, Mr. Melone will be entitled to an annual payment for his services as a member of the Board of Directors, reimbursement for certain expenses and participation in the 2010 Directors Stock Option Plan.

There are no arrangements or understandings between Mr. Melone and any other persons pursuant to which Mr. Melone was named a director of ADTRAN. There have been no transactions since the beginning of ADTRAN's last fiscal year, and there are no currently proposed transactions, in which ADTRAN was or is to be a participant and in which Mr. Melone or any member of his immediate family had or will have any interest, that are required to be reported under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K.

A copy of ADTRAN's press release announcing such appointment is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release dated February 9, 2016

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized on February 11, 2016.

ADTRAN, Inc.
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Roger D. Shannon
Roger D. Shannon
Senior Vice President of Finance,
Chief Financial Officer,
Corporate Secretary and Treasurer
(Principal Accounting Officer)

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99.1	Press Release dated February 9, 2016

ADTRAN, Inc. Appoints Tony Melone to Board of Directors

HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA - ADTRAN, Inc. (NASDAQ: ADTN) announced today that the Board of Directors has appointed Anthony J. (Tony) Melone as a director filling a previously existing vacancy. Mr. Melone's term will be until the 2016 annual meeting of stockholders.

ADTRAN, Inc. Chairman and CEO Tom Stanton said, "We are pleased to have Tony Melone join our board of directors. Tony brings tremendous technical and operational experience from his impressive career in the communications industry, and I believe that ADTRAN will benefit greatly from his leadership and vision. I am confident that he will make significant contributions to ADTRAN as we continue to expand our broadband growth opportunities."

Mr. Melone has 32 years of Telecommunications experience, including operations and engineering positions of increasing responsibility. He served as Executive Vice President of Verizon Communications Inc. since 2010 and served as its Chief Technology Officer from 2010 to 2014 where he was responsible for Verizon Communications' Global Technology Roadmap. Over his 32 year career with Verizon and its predecessor, Bell Atlantic, he also has served as Vice President of Network Operations and Staff Vice President of Network Planning and Administration. Since 2008, he has served as Chief Technology Officer and Senior Vice President of Rural Cellular Corporation. Mr. Melone received a Bachelor of Science degree in electrical engineering from Villanova University and a Master of Science degree in engineering from the University of Pennsylvania. He currently serves on the board of directors for Crown Castle International Corporation.

ADTRAN, Inc. is a leading global provider of networking and communications equipment. ADTRAN's products enable voice, data, video and Internet communications across a variety of network infrastructures. ADTRAN solutions are currently in use by service providers, private enterprises, government organizations, and millions of individual users worldwide. For more information, please visit www.adtran.com.

For more information, contact the company at 800 9ADTRAN (800 923-8726) or via email at info@adtran.com. On the Web, visit www.adtran.com.

This press release contains forward-looking statements which reflect management's best judgment based on factors currently known. However, these statements involve risks and uncertainties, including the successful development and market acceptance of new products, the degree of competition in the market for such products, the product and channel mix, component costs, manufacturing efficiencies, and other risks detailed in our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014 and on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2015. These risks and uncertainties could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements included in this press release.

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