
**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 16, 2026

MARKETAXESS HOLDINGS INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

001-34091
(Commission File Number)

52-2230784
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**55 Hudson Yards
15th Floor
New York, New York**
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

10001
(Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (212) 813-6000

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- 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))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, \$0.003 par value	MKTX	Nasdaq Global Select Market

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§ 230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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

Following a comprehensive search, on February 16, 2026, MarketAxess Holdings Inc. (the “Company”), identified a new Chief Technology Officer. Concurrently, the Company determined that Naineshkumar Panchal’s service as Chief Information Officer will end effective April 1, 2026. The Company expects to announce the identity of its new Chief Technology Officer in a press release later in the first quarter of 2026.

Mr. Panchal’s separation is considered a termination without “Cause” under his Severance Protection Agreement, dated March 1, 2022, and he will be entitled to receive certain severance payments and benefits in accordance with such agreement, subject to his execution of a general release of claims.

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.

MARKETAXESS HOLDINGS INC.

Date: February 17, 2026

By: /s/ Scott Pintoff

Name: Scott Pintoff

Title: General Counsel & Corporate Secretary
