

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**FORM 8-K**

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**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 4, 2017**

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**Fiesta Restaurant Group, Inc.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<b>Delaware</b> (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	<b>001-35373</b> (Commission File Number)	<b>90-0712224</b> (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
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<b>14800 Landmark Boulevard, Suite 500, Dallas, Texas</b> (Address of principal executive offices)	<b>75254</b> (Zip Code)
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**Registrant's telephone number, including area code (972) 702-9300**

N/A

**(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)**

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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 240.13a-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in 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.

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**ITEM 7.01. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE.**

On October 4, 2017, Fiesta Restaurant Group, Inc. issued a press release, the entire text of which is attached as [Exhibit 99.1](#) and is incorporated by reference herein.

**ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.**

(d) Exhibits

[99.1](#) [Fiesta Restaurant Group, Inc. Press Release, dated October 4, 2017.](#)

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## 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.

FIESTA RESTAURANT GROUP, INC.

Date: October 4, 2017

By: /s/ Lynn S. Schweinfurth

Name: Lynn S. Schweinfurth

Title: Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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**Fiesta Restaurant Group, Inc. Appoints  
Anthony “Tony” Dinkins as Senior Vice President of Human Resources**

**DALLAS, Texas - October 4, 2017** - Fiesta Restaurant Group, Inc. (“Fiesta” or the “Company”) (NASDAQ: FRGI), parent company of the Pollo Tropical® and Taco Cabana® fast casual restaurant brands, announced today that Anthony “Tony” Dinkins has joined the Company as Senior Vice President of Human Resources effective September 26, 2017.

Fiesta President and Chief Executive Officer Richard Stockinger said, “We are thrilled that Tony is joining our leadership team. With the upcoming re-launches of our two iconic brands it is more important than ever to have a strong executive such as Tony overseeing our overall talent management strategies. Tony’s extensive background and proven track record of success makes him the ideal candidate for this position.”

Mr. Dinkins is a highly accomplished human resources professional with more than 25 years of experience working at leading organizations across multiple industries. Most recently, he served as Senior Vice President of Human Resources at Cable & Wireless Communications (C&W) where he was responsible for all aspects of Human Resources, Payroll, and Health & Safety for 7,500 employees in 26 countries. Prior to joining C&W, he held a number of senior human resources positions for well-known companies such as Carnival Corporation, Citrix Systems and Avoya and Lucent Technologies.

Mr. Dinkins earned his MBA from Columbia University and graduated with a bachelor of science in industrial and labor relations from Cornell University.

**About Fiesta Restaurant Group, Inc.**

Fiesta Restaurant Group, Inc. is the parent company of the Pollo Tropical and Taco Cabana restaurant brands. The brands specialize in the operation of fast-casual restaurants that offer distinct and unique tropical and Mexican inspired flavors with broad appeal at a compelling value. For more information about Fiesta Restaurant Group, Inc., visit the corporate website at [www.frgi.com](http://www.frgi.com).