

PAPA JOHNS INTERNATIONAL INC  
Form 8-K  
March 13, 2009

**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)  
**March 10, 2009**

(Commission File Number) **0-21660**

**PAPA JOHN S INTERNATIONAL, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**61-1203323**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**2002 Papa John s Boulevard  
Louisville, Kentucky 40299-2367**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**(502) 261-7272**

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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  - o 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 March 11, 2009, Papa John's International, Inc. (the Company) announced the promotion of William Mitchell to President, USA. Mr. Mitchell succeeds William M. Van Epps, who resigned as President, USA effective March 10, 2009 to pursue other interests. As President, USA, Mr. Mitchell will report to the Chief Executive Officer and be responsible for leading the Company's U.S. corporate and franchise restaurant operations, real estate and new business development.

Mr. Mitchell has served as Papa John's Senior Vice President of Domestic Operations since February 2007. From 2006 to 2007, he served as Papa John's Division Vice President for the Midwest, the company's largest division. From 2000 to 2006, he served as Papa John's Operations Vice President for the central United States.

The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors has approved an annualized base salary for Mr. Mitchell of \$400,000. He will also participate in the Company's short-term and long-term incentive compensation programs offered to the Company's senior executive officers.

**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

The Company issued a press release on March 11, 2009. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

The information in the press release is being furnished, not filed, pursuant to Item 7.01 of Form 8-K. Accordingly, the information in Item 7.01 of this Current Report, including Exhibit 99.1, will not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement filed by the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless specifically identified therein as being incorporated by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description of Exhibit
99.1	Press Release issued by Papa John's International, Inc., dated March 11, 2009.

**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.

**PAPA JOHN S INTERNATIONAL, INC.**  
(Registrant)

Date: March 13, 2009

By: /s/ J. David Flanery  
Name: J. David Flanery  
Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer