### COWEN GROUP, INC.

Form 8-K January 26, 2017

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): January 26, 2017

### COWEN GROUP, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Delaware} & \text{001-34516} & \text{27-0423711} \\ \text{(State or Other Jurisdiction} & \text{(Commission File Number)} & \text{(I.R.S. Employer} \\ \text{Identification No.)} \end{array}$ 

599 Lexington Avenue New York, NY 10022

(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 845-7900

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:

<sup>&</sup>quot;Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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<sup>&</sup>quot;Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On January 26, 2017, Cowen Group, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that the Company's Board of Directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$14.06 per share on the Company's 5.625% Series A Cumulative Perpetual Convertible Preferred Stock. The dividend is payable on February 15, 2017, to the holders of record at the close of business on February 1, 2017. A copy of the press release is attached hereto at Exhibit 99.1.

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Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibits are filed herewith:

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release issued by the Company dated January 26, 2017.

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### **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.

# COWEN GROUP, INC.

Dated: January 26, 2017 By: /s/ Owen S. Littman

Name: Owen S. Littman Title: General Counsel