

Michaels Companies, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
March 24, 2016

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): March 22, 2016

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THE MICHAELS COMPANIES, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

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Delaware	001-36501	37-1737959
(State or other jurisdiction	(Commission	(I.R.S. Employer
of incorporation)	File Number)	Identification Number)

8000 Bent Branch Drive

Irving, Texas	75063
(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (972) 409-1300

Not Applicable

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

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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 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement  
Underwriting Agreement

On March 22, 2016, The Michaels Companies, Inc. (the “Company”) entered into an underwriting agreement (the “Underwriting Agreement”) with J.P. Morgan Securities LLC and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated (the “Underwriters”) and the selling stockholders listed on Schedule 2 thereto (the “Selling Stockholders”), relating to the underwritten offering of 17,000,000 shares (the “Shares”) of the Company’s common stock, par value \$0.067751 per share (the “Offering”). All of the Shares are being sold by the Selling Stockholders. The Underwriters have agreed to purchase the Shares from the Selling Stockholders pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement at a price of \$26.08 per share.

In addition, pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement and in accordance with the Company’s ongoing share-repurchase program, the Company has agreed to purchase from the Underwriters 2,000,000 shares of common stock being sold by the Selling Stockholders to the Underwriters, at the per share price being paid by the Underwriters to the Selling Stockholders, resulting in an aggregate purchase price of \$52,160,000 (the “Share Repurchase”). The Company intends to fund the Share Repurchase with cash on hand.

The Offering is being made only by means of a prospectus. An automatic shelf registration statement (including a prospectus) relating to the offering of common stock was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) on July 9, 2015, and became effective upon filing (Registration No. 333-205583) (the “Registration Statement”). A prospectus supplement relating to the Offering has been filed with the SEC. The closing of the Offering and the Share Repurchase is expected to take place on March 29, 2016, subject to the satisfaction of customary closing conditions. A copy of the Underwriting Agreement is filed as Exhibit 1.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 8.01 Other Events

Ropes & Gray LLP, counsel to the Company, has issued an opinion to the Company, dated March 24, 2016, regarding the Shares to be sold in the Offering. A copy of the opinion is filed as Exhibit 5.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K. Certain information relating to Part II, Item 14 “Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution” of the Registration Statement is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d)Exhibits

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1.1	Underwriting Agreement, dated March 22, 2016, by and among the Company, the Underwriters and the Selling Stockholders.
5.1	Opinion of Ropes & Gray LLP
23.1	Consent of Ropes & Gray LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1 above)
99.1	Information relating to Part II, Item 14 “Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution” of the Registration Statement.

SIGNATURE

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 thereunto duly authorized.

THE MICHAELS COMPANIES, INC.

By: /s/ Michael J. Veitenheimer  
Name: Michael J. Veitenheimer  
Title: Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary  
Date: March 24, 2016

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