

CITIZENS FINANCIAL GROUP INC/RI

Form 8-K

October 24, 2016

**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): October 20, 2016**

**CITIZENS FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.**  
**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

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

**001-36636**  
**(Commission**  
**File No.)**

**05-0412693**  
**(IRS Employer**  
**Identification No.)**

**One Citizens Plaza**

**Providence, RI**

**02903**

**(Address of principal executive offices)**

**(Zip code)**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (401) 456-7000**

**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))

**Item 5.03 Item 5.03. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.**

(a) On October 20, 2016, the Board of Directors of Citizens Financial Group, Inc. (the Company ) amended Article II, Section 2.06(a) and Article III, Section 3.02 of the Company s amended and restated Bylaws to replace plurality voting with majority voting for the election of directors in uncontested elections.

The foregoing summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the text of the amended and restated Bylaws, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 3.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibit 3.1 The Bylaws of Citizens Financial Group, Inc., as amended and restated on October 20, 2016

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.

CITIZENS FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ Robin S. Elkowitz  
Robin S. Elkowitz  
Executive Vice President and Secretary

Date: October 24, 2016

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
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