UNITED STATES

SECURITIES A	AND EXCHANGE C	OMMISSION
	Washington, DC 20549	
	FORM 8-K	
	CURRENT REPORT	
Pursuant to Section	13 OR 15(d) of the Securities Exc	change Act of 1934
Date of Repo	rt (Date of earliest event reported): Aug	ust 3, 2004
O	wens & Minor, Inc	: .
(Exa	ct name of registrant as specified in its charte	r)
Virginia (State or other jurisdiction	1-9810 (Commission File Number)	54-1701843 (IRS Employer
of incorporation)		Identification No.)
4800 Cox Road, Glen Allen, Virgini (Address of principal executive offices)		23060 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (804) 747-9794

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Item 5.	Other	Events	and	Regulation	FD	Disclosure.

On August 3, 2004 Owens & Minor, Inc. announced the appointment of J. Alfred Broaddus, Jr. to its Board of Directors.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (c) Exhibits.
 - 99.1 Press Release by Registrant on August 3, 2004 announcing appointment of new director.

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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.

OWENS & MINOR, INC.

Date: August 3, 2004 By: /s/ Grace R. den Hartog

Name: Grace R. den Hartog

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and

Corporate Secretary

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99.1	Press Release by Registrant on August 3, 2004			