

CITIZENS INC  
Form 8-K  
November 07, 2016

**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): November 7, 2016**

**CITIZENS, INC.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

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

**0-16509**  
**(Commission**  
  
**File Number)**

**84-0755371**  
**(IRS Employer**  
  
**Identification No.)**

**400 East Anderson Lane**

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**Austin, Texas 78752**

**(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)**

**(512) 837-7100**

**(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)**

**Not Applicable**

**(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)**

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:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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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 November 7, 2016, Citizens, Inc. ( Citizens or the Company ) issued a news release announcing that Citizens Board of Directors has unanimously appointed Geoff Kolander as Chief Executive Officer, effective November 7th. Mr. Kolander, 41, joined Citizens in 2006 as General Counsel and most recently served as Chief Legal Officer and head of Corporate Strategy. Mr. Kolander is a licensed attorney in Colorado, New York and Texas.

Citizens also announced that Kay Osbourn will continue to serve as President and Chief Corporate Officer.

**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 hereunto duly authorized.

CITIZENS, INC

By: /s/ Geoffrey M. Kolander  
Geoffrey M. Kolander

Chief Executive Officer

Date: November 7, 2016

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	News Release issued by Citizens, Inc. on November 7, 2016