

RENT A CENTER INC DE
Form 8-K
May 24, 2005

**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)

May 18, 2005

RENT-A-CENTER, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

0-25370

(Commission File Number)

45-0491516

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

5700 Tennyson Parkway

Suite 100

Plano, Texas 75024

(Address of principal executive offices
and zip code)

(972) 801-1100

(Registrant's telephone
number, including area code)

N/A

(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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)).

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)).

**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors;
Appointment of Principal Officers.**

Andrew S. Jhawar, a Class III director, resigned from the Board of Directors of Rent-A-Center, Inc. (the “Board”) on May 18, 2005. Mr. Jhawar’s resignation was not the result of any disagreement with the registrant on any matter relating to the registrant’s operations, policies or practices.

To fill the vacancy created by Mr. Jhawar’s resignation, on May 18, 2005, the Board appointed Michael J. Gade to serve as a Class III director until the 2006 annual meeting of stockholders. Mr. Gade has not been, and is not expected to be, named to any committee of the Board at this time. The Board has determined that Mr. Gade is “independent” as defined by the listing standards of The Nasdaq Stock Market, Inc. National Market System.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (c) Exhibit 99.1
Press Release, dated May 23, 2005.

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.

RENT-A-CENTER, INC.

Date: May 24, 2005

By: /s/ Robert D. Davis

Robert D. Davis
Senior Vice President - Finance, Chief Financial Officer and
Treasurer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press release, dated May 23, 2005

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