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> UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 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 12, 2005

OLD REPUBLIC INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION _____

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware001-1060736-2678171(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)(Commission
File Number)(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.

Identification No.)

307 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60601 _____ (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(312) 346-8100

_____ (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):

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Section 5 - Corporate Governance and Management

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

On May 12, 2005, Old Republic International Corporation (the "Registrant") announced the appointment of Christopher Nard as its Senior Vice President --Mortgage Guaranty. Mr. Nard, 41, has been a senior executive officer of the Registrant's mortgage guaranty insurance strategic operating subsidiaries for more than the past five years. In assuming the position with the Registrant, he succeeds William Simpson, who will continue as the Chairman of the Registrant's mortgage guaranty insurance strategic operating subsidiaries.

On May 12, 2005, the Registrant also announced the appointment of Stephanie Cournoyer to the newly created position of Vice President - Director of Financial Reporting, effective June 1, 2005. Ms. Cournoyer, 30, spent nine years with the international accounting firm of KPMG LLP, most recently as a senior audit manager specializing in the insurance industry.

Section 8 - Other Events

Item 8.01. Other Events

On May 12, 2005, the Registrant's Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$.17 per share of the Registrant's common stock. The dividend is payable on June 15, 2005 to shareholders of record on June 3, 2005.

Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (c) Exhibits
- 99.1 Press Release dated May 12, 2005.
- 99.2 Press Release dated May 12, 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 thereunto duly authorized.

OLD REPUBLIC INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION Registrant

Date: May 13, 2005

By: /s/ Karl W. Mueller

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Karl W. Mueller Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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