

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

As previously disclosed, on June 11, 2008, Robert B. Sari notified Rite Aid Corporation (the “Company”) that he intended to leave his position as the Company's Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary in order to relocate back to Portland, Oregon with his wife and children. Marc A. Strassler has been appointed as Mr. Sari’s successor and will serve as Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, effective March 9, 2009. Mr. Sari will remain at the Company to assist in Mr. Strassler’s transition until April 8, 2009.

Mr. Strassler previously served as Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary of Pathmark Stores, Inc., a position he held from 1997 to 2007 when Pathmark was acquired by The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co., Inc. Mr. Strassler served as Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary of Pathmark from 1987 to 1997. Prior to that, Mr. Strassler held a variety of positions with Pathmark dating back to 1974.

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.

RITE AID CORPORATION

Dated: March 11, 2009

By: /s/ Marc A. Strassler
Name: Marc A. Strassler
Title: Executive Vice President,
General Counsel and
Secretary