

ALLIED CAPITAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
January 22, 2009

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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):

January 15, 2009

Allied Capital Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland

0-22832

52-1081052

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

1919 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.,  
Washington, District of Columbia

20006

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

202 721-6100

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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



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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 January 15, 2009, two members of the Board of Directors of Allied Capital Corporation (the "Company"), John I. Leahy, age 78, and Guy T. Steuart II, age 77, announced their intention to retire at the end of their current terms. Messrs. Leahy and Steuart are both Class II Directors whose terms expire following the Company's 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Mr. Leahy has served as director of the Company or one of its predecessors since 1994. Mr. Steuart has served as director of the Company or one of its predecessors since 1984.

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**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.

*January 22, 2009*

Allied Capital Corporation

By: *Penni F. Roll*

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*Name: Penni F. Roll*  
*Title: Chief Financial Officer*