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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): October 25, 2018**

**COWEN INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**001-34516**  
(Commission File Number)

**27-0423711**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**599 Lexington Avenue  
New York, NY 10022**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 845-7900**

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)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- 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))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.12b-2).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On October 25, 2018, Cowen Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing that the Company’s Board of Directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$14.06 per share on the Company’s 5.625% Series A Cumulative Perpetual Convertible Preferred Stock. The dividend is payable on November 15, 2018, to the holders of record at the close of business on November 1, 2018. A copy of the press release is attached hereto at Exhibit 99.1.

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**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibits are filed herewith:

[Exhibit 99.1](#) [Press Release Issued by the Company on October 25, 2018.](#)

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## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

### **COWEN INC.**

Dated: October 25, 2018

By: /s/ Owen S. Littman  
Name: Owen S. Littman  
Title: General Counsel

**Cowen Declares Quarterly Dividend On Its  
Series A Cumulative Perpetual Convertible Preferred Stock**

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**NEW YORK, NY — October 25, 2018** — Cowen Inc. (NASDAQ:COWN) (“Cowen” or the “Company”) today announced that its board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$14.06 per share on the Company’s 5.625% Series A Cumulative Perpetual Convertible Preferred Stock (the “Convertible Preferred Stock”).

The quarterly dividend on the Convertible Preferred Stock is payable on November 15, 2018, to holders of record at the close of business on November 1, 2018.

**About Cowen Inc.**

Cowen Inc. (“Cowen” or the “Company”) is a diversified financial services firm that operates through two business segments: a broker dealer and an investment management division. The company’s broker dealer division offers investment banking services, equity and credit research, sales and trading, prime brokerage, global clearing and commission management services. Cowen’s investment management segment offers actively managed alternative investment products. Cowen Inc. focuses on delivering value-added capabilities to our clients in order to help them outperform. Founded in 1918, the firm is headquartered in New York and has offices worldwide. Learn more at [Cowen.com](http://Cowen.com).

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