

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-K/A

### Current Report

#### Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **September 14, 2006 (September 12, 2006)**

### COWEN GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**000-52048**

(Commission  
File Number)

**84-1702964**

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

**1221 Avenue of the Americas  
New York, New York**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**10020**

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(646) 562-1000**

**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 Principal Officers; Election of Directors; appointment of Principal Officers.

The penultimate paragraph under this Item is hereby amended to read as follows:

Each non-executive director will receive total compensation of \$62,500 for their service from the date of their appointment through the 2007 annual shareholders' meeting. Such compensation includes \$37,500 in cash plus \$25,000 in Restricted Stock Units valued as of the close of business on September 13, 2006. For each year thereafter, each non-executive director will receive annual compensation of \$75,000, consisting of \$50,000 in cash and \$25,000 in Restricted Stock Units. The Restricted Stock Units are vested and not subject to forfeiture, but, except in the event of death, the underlying shares of Cowen Group, Inc. will not be delivered to the holder for at least one year from the date of grant.

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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.

Dated: October 30, 2006

COWEN GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ Christopher A. White  
Christopher A. White

