

**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 24, 2020

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 of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

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.

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

| Title of Each Class | Trading Symbol | Name of Exchange on Which Registered |
|--|-----------------------|---|
| Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | COWN | The Nasdaq Global Market |
| 7.35% Senior Notes due 2027 | COWNZ | The Nasdaq Global Market |
| 7.75% Senior Notes due 2033 | COWNL | The Nasdaq Global Market |

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On January 24, 2020, 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 February 18, 2020, to the holders of record at the close of business on February 1, 2020. A copy of the press release is attached hereto at Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibits are being filed with this Current Report on Form 8-K:

[99.1](#) [Press Release Issued by the Company dated January 24, 2020.](#)

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: January 24, 2020

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**

NEW YORK - January 24, 2020 - 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 February 18, 2020, to holders of record at the close of business on February 1, 2020.

About Cowen Inc.

Cowen Inc. ("Cowen" or the "Company") is a diversified financial services firm offering investment banking services, equity and credit research, sales and trading, prime brokerage, global clearing, commission management services and actively managed alternative investment products. Cowen focuses on delivering value-added capabilities to our clients in order to help them outperform. Founded in 1918, the Company is headquartered in New York and has offices worldwide. Learn more at Cowen.com

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