UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. )*

COWEN INC.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value $.01

(Title of Class of Securities)

223622606

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

Alec N. Litowitz
Magnetar Capital LLC
1603 Orrington Ave.
Evanston, Illinois 60201
(847) 905-4400

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized
to Receive Notices and Communications)

August 3, 2022

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a Statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D and is filing this Schedule because of Rule 13d-1(e), 13d-1(f) or 13d-1(g), check the following box. ☐

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*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person’s initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be “filed” for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).
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Alec N. Litowitz

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ITEM 1.  SECURITY AND ISSUER

This Schedule 13D (this “Statement”) relates to the common stock, $0.01 par value (the “Shares”), of Cowen Inc., a company incorporated in Delaware (the “Company”). The principal executive offices of the Company is 599 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York 10022.

ITEM 2.  IDENTITY AND BACKGROUND

(a) The persons filing this Statement are Magnetar Financial LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (“Magnetar Financial”), Magnetar Capital Partners LP, a Delaware limited partnership (“Magnetar Capital Partners”), Supernova Management LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (“Supernova Management”), and Alec N. Litowitz (“Mr. Litowitz”) (collectively, the “Reporting Persons”).

This Statement relates to Shares held for the accounts of each of (i) Magnetar PRA Master Fund Ltd, a Cayman Islands exempted company (“PRA Master Fund”), and (ii) Magnetar Systematic Multi-Strategy Master Fund Ltd, a Cayman Islands exempted company, (“Systematic Master Fund, collectively (the “Funds”).

Magnetar Financial is a Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) registered investment adviser under Section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended, and manager of investment funds and managed accounts. Magnetar Financial serves as investment adviser to each of the Funds. In such capacity, Magnetar Financial exercises voting and investment power over the Shares held for the accounts of each of the Funds. Magnetar Capital Partners serves as the sole member and parent holding company of Magnetar Financial. Supernova Management is the general partner of Magnetar Capital Partners. The manager of Supernova Management is Mr. Litowitz.

(b) The business address of each of the Reporting Persons is 1603 Orrington Avenue, 13th Floor, Evanston, Illinois 60201.

(c) Each of the Funds is a private investment fund; Magnetar Financial is a privately-held SEC registered investment adviser and manager of investment funds and managed accounts; Magnetar Capital Partners is a privately-held limited partnership and serves as the sole member and parent holding company of Magnetar Financial; Supernova Management is a privately-held limited liability company and is the general partner of Magnetar Capital Partners; and Mr. Litowitz is a citizen of the United States of America, manager of Supernova Management and Chief Executive Officer of Magnetar Financial.

(d) None of the Reporting Persons has, during the last five years, been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors).

(e) None of the Reporting Persons has, during the last five years, been a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction as a result of which such Reporting Person was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.
ITEM 3. SOURCE AND AMOUNT OF FUNDS OR OTHER CONSIDERATION

The aggregate amount of funds used by the Reporting Persons in purchasing the 1,626,807 Shares reported herein on behalf of the Funds have come directly from the assets of the Funds, which may at any given time, have included margin loans made by brokerage firms in the ordinary course of business. The aggregate amount of funds used by the Reporting Persons in purchasing the Shares on behalf of the Funds was $62,413,237.68 (excluding commissions and other execution-related costs).

ITEM 4. PURPOSE OF TRANSACTION

The Reporting Persons acquired the 1,626,807 Shares reported herein on behalf of the Funds after the public announcement of the Merger Agreement (as defined below) for purposes of receiving the merger consideration described below upon consummation of the Merger (as described below).

Each of the Reporting Persons reserves the right to acquire additional securities of the Company in the open market, in privately negotiated transactions, or otherwise, to dispose of all or a portion of the Shares and/or other securities reported in this Statement, or to change their intention with respect to any or all of the matters referred to in this Item 4.

Other than as described above in this Item 4, the Reporting Persons do not have any plans or proposals that relate to, or would result in, any actions or events specified in clauses (a) through (j) of Item 4 to Schedule 13D.

ITEM 5. INTEREST IN SECURITIES OF THE ISSUER

The Company reported in their Form 10-Q filed on August 3, 2022, that 27,651,792 Shares outstanding as of August 2, 2022.

(a) As of the close of business August 11, 2022, each of the Reporting Persons may have been deemed to have beneficial ownership of 1,626,807 Shares, which consisted of (i) 1,376,823 Shares held for the benefit of PRA Master Fund and (ii) 249,984 Shares held for the benefit of Systematic Master Fund, and all such Shares represented beneficial ownership of approximately 5.88% of the Shares.

(b) As of the close of business August 11, 2022, each of the Reporting Persons may have been deemed to share the power to vote and direct the disposition of 1,626,807 Shares, which consisted of (i) 1,376,823 Shares held for the benefit of PRA Master Fund and (ii) 249,984 Shares held for the benefit of Systematic Master Fund and all such Shares represented beneficial ownership of approximately 5.88% of the Shares.

(c) Except as set forth on Schedule A attached hereto and Item 6, the Funds had no transactions in the Shares during the 60 days preceding the date of filing of this Statement. All of the transactions set forth on Schedule A attached hereto were effected in the ordinary course of business of Magnetar Financial for the accounts of each of the Funds. The transactions in the Shares set forth on Schedule A were effected in open market transactions on the NASDAQ and various other trading markets.
As disclosed by the Company in the 10-Q filed with the SEC on August 3, 2022:

On August 3, 2022, the Company, The Toronto-Dominion Bank, a Canadian chartered bank (“TD”), and Crimson Holdings Acquisition Co., a Delaware corporation and an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of TD (“Merger Sub”), entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the “Merger Agreement”) pursuant to which, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth therein, Merger Sub will be merged with and into the Company (the “Merger”), with the Company surviving the merger as a wholly-owned subsidiary of TD.

The Board of Directors of the Company determined that it is in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders to consummate the transactions provided for in the Merger Agreement and, in furtherance thereof, adopted the Merger Agreement and approved the transactions contemplated thereby (including the Merger), and resolved to submit the Merger Agreement to the holders of the Class A common stock of the Company for adoption and to recommend that the holders of Class A common stock of the Company adopt the Merger Agreement and approve the transactions contemplated thereby (including the Merger).

(d) No other person is known by the Reporting Persons to have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, any Shares that are beneficially owned by the Reporting Persons.

ITEM 6. CONTRACTS, ARRANGEMENTS, UNDERSTANDINGS OR RELATIONSHIPS WITH RESPECT TO THE SECURITIES OF THE ISSUER

Pursuant to Rule 13d-1(k)(1) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Reporting Persons have entered into an agreement with respect to the joint filing of this Statement, and any amendment or amendments hereto.

Certain clients of Magnetar Financial have entered into a total return swap agreement giving it economic exposure to the Company. In addition, certain clients of Magnetar Asset Management have entered into total return swap agreements giving them economic exposure to the Company. Magnetar Asset Management LLC (“Magnetar Asset Management”) is an SEC registered investment adviser and an affiliate of Magnetar Financial. Magnetar Capital Partners serves as the sole member and parent holding company of Magnetar Asset Management.

Except as otherwise described herein, no contracts, arrangements, understandings or similar relationships exist with respect to the securities of the Company among or between the Reporting Persons or any other person or entity.
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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: August 12, 2022

MAGNETAR FINANCIAL LLC

By: Magnetar Capital Partners LP, its Sole Member

By: /s/ Alec N. Litowitz

Name: Alec N. Litowitz
Title: Manager of Supernova Management LLC, the General Partner of Magnetar Capital Partners LP

MAGNETAR CAPITAL PARTNERS LP

By: /s/ Alec N. Litowitz

Name: Alec N. Litowitz
Title: Manager of Supernova Management LLC, the General Partner of Magnetar Capital Partners LP

SUPERNOVA MANAGEMENT LLC

By: /s/ Alec N. Litowitz

Name: Alec N. Litowitz
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(2) Upon request by the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, full information regarding the number of shares bought or sold (as the case may be) at each separate price will be provided.

(3) Reflects a weighted average purchase price of $38.3079 per share, at prices ranging from $38.2 to $38.51 per share.

(4) Reflects a weighted average purchase price of $38.5007 per share, at prices ranging from $38.41 to $38.51 per share.

(5) Reflects a weighted average purchase price of $38.4983 per share, at prices ranging from $38.465 to $38.51 per share.

(6) Reflects a weighted average purchase price of $38.5149 per share, at prices ranging from $38.44 to $38.53 per share.

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JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

In accordance with Rule 13d-1(k), as promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the persons named below agree to the joint filing on behalf of each of them a Statement on Schedule 13D (including amendments thereto) with regard to the common stock of Cowen Inc., and further agree that this Joint Filing Agreement be included as an Exhibit to such joint filings. In evidence thereof, the undersigned, being duly authorized, hereby execute this Joint Filing Agreement as of August 12, 2022.

Dated: August 12, 2022

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