VARIAN MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC Form 8-K February 10, 2009

### 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)

February 4, 2009

94304-1030

(Zip Code)

(650) 493-4000

## VARIAN MEDICAL SYSTEMS, INC. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware	1-7598	94-2359345
(State or Other Jurisdiction	(Commission File	(IRS Employer
of Incorporation)	Number)	Identification No.)

3100 Hansen Way, Palo Alto, CA (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

Not Applicable (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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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 February 4, 2009, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Varian Medical Systems, Inc. (the "Company") received notice from Kent J. Thiry, a member of the Board, of his resignation from the Board for personal reasons and not as a result of any disagreement with the Company. The Board has accepted his resignation effective February 16, 2009. Mr. Thiry was chair of the Board's Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee.

The Board does not intend to replace Mr. Thiry at this time and reduced the size of the Board from ten to nine directors, effective February 16, 2009.

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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.

Varian Medical Systems, Inc.

By:	/s/ JOHN W. KUO
Name:	John W. Kuo
Title:	Corporate Vice President,
	General Counsel and
	Secretary

Dated: February 10, 2009