

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORP  
Form 8-K  
February 26, 2019

**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: **February 26, 2019**

(Date of earliest event reported)

**INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES**  
**CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**New York**  
(State of Incorporation)

**1-2360**  
(Commission File Number)

**13-0871985**  
(IRS employer Identification No.)

**ARMONK, NEW YORK**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**10504**  
(Zip Code)

**914-499-1900**  
(Registrant's telephone number)

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- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  
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- 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.

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**Item 5.02(d) Election of Directors.**

On February 26, 2019, IBM announced that Admiral Michelle Howard, retired United States Navy officer, has been elected to the IBM Board of Directors, effective March 1, 2019. Admiral Howard will join the Directors and Corporate Governance Committee.

IBM's compensatory and other arrangements for non-management directors are set forth in the company's Proxy Statement, dated March 12, 2018. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 of this Form 8-K.

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

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibit is being filed as part of this report:

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description of Exhibit</b>
99.1	<u>Press release, dated February 26, 2019</u>

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SIGNATURE

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.

Date: February 26, 2019

By: /s/ Christina M. Montgomery

Christina M. Montgomery

Vice President, Assistant General Counsel and Secretary