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RENT A CENTER INC DE Form 8-K September 26, 2006

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) September 21, 2006 RENT-A-CENTER, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in charter) Delaware 0-25370 45-0491516 (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.) (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 5700 Tennyson Parkway Suite 100

Plano, Texas 75024

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(972) 801-1100

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(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.

Richard K. Armey, a Class II director, resigned from the Board of Directors of Rent-A-Center, Inc. (the "Board") on September 21, 2006. Mr. Armey's resignation was not the result of any disagreement with the registrant on any matter relating to the registrant's operations, policies or practices.

To fill the vacancy created by Mr. Armey's resignation, on September 21, 2006, the Board appointed Leonard H. Roberts to serve as a Class II director until the 2008 annual meeting of stockholders. Mr. Roberts has not been, and is not expected to be, named to any committee of the Board at this time. The Board has determined that Mr. Roberts is "independent" as defined by the listing standards of The Nasdaq Stock Market, Inc. National Market System.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibit 99.1 Press Release, dated September 25, 2006.

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.

RENT-A-CENTER, INC.

Date: September 25, 2006 By: /s/ Christopher A. Korst

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Christopher A. Korst Senior Vice President -- General Counsel and Secretary

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99.1 Press release, dated September 25, 2006