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): October 9, 2009

GRIFFON CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **1-6620** (Commission File Number) **11-1893410** (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

100 Jericho Quadrangle Jericho, New York (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

11753 (Zip Code)

(516) 938-5544

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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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.

Effective as of October 9, 2009, Franklin H. Smith left the employ of Griffon Corporation (the "Company"). Mr. Smith was an Executive Vice President of the Company.

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.

GRIFFON CORPORATION

By: /s/ Douglas J. Wetmore

Douglas J. Wetmore Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: October 15, 2009