

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

August 4, 2016
Date of Report
(Date of earliest event reported)

DURECT CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

000-31615
(Commission
File Number)

94-3297098
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

10260 Bubb Road
Cupertino, CA 95014
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

(408) 777-1417
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(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 Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(b) On August 4, 2016, Jay Shepard provided notice to the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of DURECT Corporation (“DURECT”) of his decision to resign from the Board and its Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee effective August 16, 2016. Mr. Shepard’s decision to resign was for personal reasons related to a recent accident involving his daughter and did not involve any disagreement on any matter relating to DURECT’s operations, policies or practices. DURECT is grateful for Mr. Shepard’s hard work and sound counsel in contributing to our potential future success, and our thanks and most sincere wishes go to him and his family.

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.

DURECT Corporation

Date: August 9, 2016

By: /s/ James E. Brown

James E. Brown

President and Chief Executive Officer