

MICROSOFT CORP  
Form 8-K  
October 09, 2012

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**WASHINGTON, DC 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, 2012**

**Microsoft Corporation**

**(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)**

**Washington**

**(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)**

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**0-14278**  
(Commission

**91-1144442**  
(IRS Employer

File Number)

Identification No.)

**One Microsoft Way, Redmond, Washington**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**98052-6399**  
(Zip Code)

**(425) 882-8080**

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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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.**

**Director Retirement**

Reed Hastings, who has served as a member of the Microsoft Board of Directors since 2007, has informed the Company he has decided not to seek re-election at the 2012 annual meeting of shareholders. His Board service will end on the date of the meeting, November 28, 2012. The Company issued a press release announcing Mr. Hastings' plans on October 9, 2012.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release of Microsoft Corporation dated October 9, 2012

**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.

MICROSOFT CORPORATION  
(Registrant)

Date: October 9, 2012

/s/ John A. Seethoff  
John A. Seethoff  
Assistant Secretary

**INDEX TO EXHIBITS**

Exhibit No.	Description of Exhibit
99.1	Press release dated October 9, 2012