Costamare Inc. Form 6-K October 12, 2016

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 FORM 6-K REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the month of October 2016 Commission File Number: 001-34934 COSTAMARE INC. (Translation of registrant's name into English) 7 Rue du Gabian, MC 98000 Monaco (Address of principal executive office) Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F. Form 20-F Form 40-F Indicate by check mark if the registrant is submitting the Form 6-K in paper as permitted by Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(1): Indicate by check mark if the registrant is submitting the Form 6-K in paper as permitted by Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(7):

## INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

Exhibit 99.1 to this Report on Form 6-K shall be incorporated by reference into (i) our registration statement on Form F-3, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 20, 2013 (File No. 333-191833), and (ii) our registration statement on Form F-3D, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 6, 2016 (File No. 333- 212415), in each case to the extent not superseded by information subsequently filed or furnished (to the extent we expressly state that we incorporate such furnished information by reference) by us under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, in each case as amended.

## EXHIBIT INDEX

99.1 Press Release Dated October 12, 2016: Costamare Inc. Announces Election of Class III Directors at 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

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, thereunto duly authorized. Date: October 12, 2016 COSTAMARE INC.

By: <u>/s/ Gregory G. Zikos</u> Name: Gregory G. Zikos Title: Chief Financial Officer