

ERESEARCHTECHNOLOGY INC /DE/

Form 8-K

July 27, 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: July 25, 2006
(Date of earliest event reported)

eResearchTechnology, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as
specified in its charter)

Delaware

0-29100

22-3264604

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**30 South 17th Street,
Philadelphia, PA**

19103

(Address of principal executive
offices)

(Zip Code)

215-972-0420

(Registrant's telephone number,
including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**ITEM 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR PRINCIPAL OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS;
APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL OFFICERS.**

On July 25, 2006, Michael J. McKelvey, who joined the Company as President and Chief Executive Officer on June 23, 2006, was elected as a director of the Company to fill a vacancy on the Board of Directors. Dr. McKelvey's term will expire at the 2009 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 hereunto duly authorized.

eResearchTechnology, Inc.
(Registrant)

Date: July 27, 2006

By: /s/ Richard A. Baron

Richard A. Baron
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial
Officer
