# **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): January 31, 2006

# **UNUMPROVIDENT CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of

incorporation or organization)

1-11834 (Commission File Number) 62-1598430 (IRS Employer

**Identification No.)** 

**1** Fountain Square

Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402

(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

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#### (423) 294-1011

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

#### Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

" Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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" Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

" 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.

(d) On January 31, 2006, the Board of Directors of the Registrant elected Michael Passarella as a director of the Registrant. Mr. Passarella, who has been determined by the Board to be an independent director, has been appointed to serve on the Audit Committee of the Board of the Company.

A copy of the press release announcing the election of Mr. Passarella is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits. The following exhibit is filed with this Report:

99.1 Press release of UnumProvident Corporation dated February 2, 2006, announcing the election of a new director.

#### 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.

Date: February 2, 2006

**UnumProvident Corporation** (Registrant)

By: /s/ Susan N. Roth

Name: Susan N. Roth Title:

Vice President, Corporate Secretary & Assistant General Counsel

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