

**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 18, 2019**

SIMON PROPERTY GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-14469
(Commission
File Number)

04-6268599
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**225 WEST WASHINGTON STREET
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46204**
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **317.636.1600**

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- 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))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1993 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12B-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

ITEM 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR PRINCIPAL OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS; COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF CERTAIN OFFICERS.

The Company announced today that Richard S. Sokolov will become Vice Chairman effective February 15, 2019, and will no longer serve as President and Chief Operating Officer of the Company. Mr. Sokolov will remain an employee and a Director of the Company. Mr. David Simon, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, will assume the additional title of President.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
Exhibit 99.1	Press release, dated January 23, 2019, issued by Simon Property Group, Inc.

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: January 23, 2019

SIMON PROPERTY GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ Steven E. Fivel
Steven E. Fivel
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**SIMON PROPERTY GROUP ANNOUNCES THAT
RICHARD S. SOKOLOV TO SERVE AS VICE CHAIRMAN**

INDIANAPOLIS, January 23, 2019 – Simon, a global leader in premier shopping, dining and entertainment destinations, announced today that Richard S. (“Rick”) Sokolov, President and Chief Operating Officer, will become Vice Chairman effective February 15, 2019 and will continue as an employee and as a Director of the Company.

“I am pleased that Rick will continue to provide me and our executive management team with his strategic advice in the coming years. It has been my privilege to work day-in and day-out with Rick and he has been an invaluable partner through the years. The breadth and depth of industry knowledge that Rick has is unparalleled,” said David Simon, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. “Rick has played a critical role since joining us in 1996 when we acquired DeBartolo Realty Corporation, helping to execute on our strategy with unrelenting energy and uncanny attention to detail.”

“It has been an honor partnering with David and the entire Simon team for the past 23 years and seeing the Company grow to become the undisputed leader in the industry,” Mr. Sokolov remarked. “We have accomplished some amazing things. I look forward to making additional contributions in my new role and believe that Simon couldn’t be in a better position to continue to lead the industry.”

Rick’s day-to-day responsibilities will be assumed by the existing senior executive team at Simon.

About Simon

Simon is a global leader in the ownership of premier shopping, dining, entertainment and mixed-use destinations and an S&P 100 company (Simon Property Group, NYSE:SPG). Our properties across North America, Europe and Asia provide community gathering places for millions of people every day and generate billions in annual sales. For more information, visit simon.com.
