KIRKLAND'S, INC Form 8-K November 26, 2012

## 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):

# Kirkland's, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

000-49885

(Commission

File Number)

Tennessee

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

2501 McGavock Pike, Suite 1000, Nashville, Tennessee

(Address of principal executive offices)

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:

[] 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))

621287151

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

37214

(Zip Code)

615-872-4800

November 20, 2012

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#### <u>Top of the Form</u> Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

Robert E. Alderson, the Company's President and Chief Executive Officer, will take a temporary medical leave of absence, effective November 26, 2012. Mike Madden, the Company's Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, will assume the additional responsibilities of acting President and Chief Executive Officer in Mr. Alderson's absence. The Company fully expects Mr. Alderson to resume his duties as President and Chief Executive Officer after an approximate 6- to 8-week recovery period from a non-emergency medical procedure.

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#### 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.

Kirkland's, Inc.

November 26, 2012

By: /s/ W. Michael Madden

Name: W. Michael Madden Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, and Acting President and Chief Executive Officer