E TRADE FINANCIAL Corp Form 8-K February 29, 2012

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

#### FORM 8-K

#### **CURRENT REPORT**

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report: February 24, 2012

(Date of earliest event reported)

### E\*TRADE FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Delaware 1-11921 94-2844166

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

1271 Avenue of the Americas, 14th Floor, New York, New York 10020

New York, New York 10022

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (646) 521-4300

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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 Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On February 24, 2012 Michael Parks notified E\*TRADE Financial Corporation (the Company) that he will not stand for re-election to the Company s Board of Directors when his term expires at the Company s 2012 annual meeting of stockholders. Mr. Parks stated that the time required by his position as the CEO of Crescent Capital Finance Group, Inc. and his duties as Vice Chairman of an electric utility will preclude his continuing participation on the Company s Board.

#### **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.

#### E\*TRADE FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Dated: February 29, 2012 By: /s/ Karl A. Roessner

Name: Karl A. Roessner Title: Corporate Secretary