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CHEESECAKE FACTORY INCORPORATED Form 8-K February 13, 2007

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): February 12, 2007

THE CHEESECAKE FACTORY INCORPORATED (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware

0-20574

51-0340466

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

26901 Malibu Hills Road

Calabasas Hills, California 91301

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

(818) 871-3000

Not Applicable

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

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SECTION 5 CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

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

On February 12, 2007, Karl L. Matthies tendered his resignation as a director from The Cheesecake Factory Incorporated s (the Company) Board of Directors and its Audit, Compensation and Governance Committees effective May 22, 2007. The reason for Mr. Matthies resignation as a director is to allow him more time to dedicate to his firm, Bellagio Partners, a private investment management and consulting company, and is not due to any disagreement with the Company on any matter relating to the Company s operations, policies and practices.

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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.

Date: February 13, 2007 THE CHEESECAKE FACTORY INCORPORATED

By: /s/ MICHAEL J. DIXON

Michael J. Dixon

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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