

KINGSWAY FINANCIAL SERVICES INC

Form 8-K

November 26, 2018

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): November 20, 2018

KINGSWAY FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Ontario, Canada

001-15204

Not Applicable

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

45 St. Clair Ave. West, Suite 400, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M4V 1K9

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (416) 848-1171

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 1933 (§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 4.01 Changes in Registrant's Certifying Accountant.

On November 20, 2018, the Board of Directors of Kingsway Financial Services Inc. (the "Company"), with the approval of the Company's Audit Committee, approved the engagement of RSM US LLP ("RSM") as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the year ended December 31, 2018, subject to RSM's customary client acceptance procedures. During the fiscal years ended December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2017, and the subsequent interim period through November 20, 2018, neither the Company nor anyone acting on its behalf consulted with RSM regarding either (1) the application of accounting principles to any specific completed or proposed transaction, or the type of audit opinion that might be rendered on the Company's financial statements, nor did RSM provide a written report or oral advice to the Company that RSM concluded was an important factor considered by the Company in reaching a decision as to the accounting, auditing or financial reporting issue; or (2) any matter that was either the subject of a disagreement (as defined in Item 304(a)(1)(iv) of Regulation S-K and the instructions related to Item 304 of Regulation S-K) or a reportable event (as defined in Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K).

SIGNATURE

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.

KINGSWAY FINANCIAL
SERVICES INC.

November 26, 2018 By: /s/ William A. Hickey, Jr.
William A. Hickey, Jr.
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer