NORTHERN TRUST CORP Form 8-K April 21, 2010

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): April 20, 2010

Northern Trust Corporation

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

0-5965 (Commission **36-2723087** (IRS Employer

of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

50 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois (Address of principal executive offices)

60603 (Zip Code)

(312) 630-6000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant unc	der any of
the following provisions:	

- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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.

Effective April 20, 2010, Harold B. Smith and Arthur L. Kelly retired from the Board of Directors (the Board) of Northern Trust Corporation (the Corporation) consistent with the retirement age guidelines in the Corporation s Corporate Governance Guidelines.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On April 20, 2010, the Corporation also announced that David H.B. Smith, Jr. was elected to the Board at the Company s 2010 annual meeting of stockholders. As previously reported, David Smith will fill one of the Board seats vacated by Harold Smith and Arthur Kelly, and the Board has reduced the size of the Board, effective at the time of the annual meeting, to eliminate the remaining vacated seat. Following his election to the Board, the Board appointed David Smith to its Audit and Business Risk Committees.

The press release announcing the retirement of Harold Smith and Arthur Kelly and the election of David Smith is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release of Northern Trust Corporation, dated April 20, 2010

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.

Northern Trust Corporation

Date: April 20, 2010 By: /s/ Rose A. Ellis

Rose A. Ellis

Corporate Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Description of Exhibit
99.1	Press Release of Northern Trust Corporation, dated April 20, 2010