ALLIED CAPITAL CORP Form 8-K March 09, 2009

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):

March 3, 2009

Allied Capital Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

0-22832

(Commission

File Number)

Maryland

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1919 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, District of Columbia

(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:

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[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

52-1081052

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

20006

(Zip Code)

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On March 3, 2009, Allied Capital Corporation (the "Company") entered into retention agreements with certain key officers, including one of the Company's named executive officers, Daniel L. Russell. Pursuant to these agreements, in the event of a separation from service within 90 days prior to or 18 months following a change in control of the Company, other than a termination of employment for cause, the officer will receive a retention payment to be paid in a lump sum six months following the officer's separation of service.

The foregoing description of the retention agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Form of Allied Capital Corporation Retention Agreement filed herewith as Exhibit 10.1.

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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.

Allied Capital Corporation

March 9, 2009

By: Penni F. Roll

Name: Penni F. Roll Title: Chief Financial Officer

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Exhibit No.	Description
10.1	Form of Allied Capital Corporation Retention Agreement