

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: September 11, 2008  
(Date of earliest event reported)

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**STEVEN MADDEN, LTD.**

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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**Delaware**

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**000-23702**

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**13-3588231**

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(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

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(Commission File Number)

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(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

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**52-16 Barnett Avenue, Long Island City, New York 11104**

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (718) 446-1800

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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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 September 11, 2008, Ravi Sachdev was elected to the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of Steven Madden, Ltd. (the “Company”) by the sitting members of the Board upon the recommendation of the Nominating/Corporate Governance Committee of the Board, to hold office until the next annual meeting of stockholders and until his successor is elected and qualified. The Board has affirmatively determined that Mr. Sachdev qualifies as an “independent” director under the Nasdaq Global Select Market listing standards. Mr. Sachdev was also elected to serve on the Company’s Audit Committee. Mr. Sachdev was elected to fill the vacancies on the Board and on the Audit Committee caused by the retirement of Walter Yetnikoff as a member of the Board and the Audit Committee. As a result of Mr. Sachdev’s election to the Audit Committee, the Company has regained compliance with the audit committee composition requirements for continued listing on The Nasdaq Global Select Market under Marketplace Rule 4350, as the Company again has an Audit Committee consisting of three independent directors.

There were no arrangements or understandings pursuant to which Mr. Sachdev was elected as a director. Mr. Sachdev has not been a party to, nor has he had a direct or indirect material interest in, any transaction with the Company during its current or preceding fiscal year, nor are there any currently proposed transactions.

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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.

Dated: September 12, 2008

**STEVEN MADDEN, LTD.**

By: /s/ Edward R. Rosenfeld

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Edward R. Rosenfeld  
Chief Executive Officer

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