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# 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 25, 2008

# DOWNEY FINANCIAL CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-13578

(Commission File Number)

33-0633413

(IRS Employer Identification Number)

3501 Jamboree Road Newport Beach, California

(Address of principal executive offices)

92660

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (949) 854-0300

### 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))

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### Item 1.03 Bankruptcy or Receivership.

On November 25, 2008 Downey Financial Corp. (the Company ) filed a voluntary petition in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (Case Number 08-13041), seeking relief under Chapter 7 of Title 11 of the United States Code.

Effective upon the filing of the Chapter 7 petition, the Directors and Officers of the Company resigned their respective Director and/or Officer position with the Company.

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### **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.

### DOWNEY FINANCIAL CORP.

(Registrant)

Date: November 26, 2008

By /s/ Richard B. Swinney

Richard B. Swinney

Corporate Secretary