REALNETWORKS INC Form 8-K September 10, 2012

## 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):

September 4, 2012

# RealNetworks, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

0-23137

(Commission

File Number)

Washington

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

2601 Elliott Avenue, Suite 1000, Seattle, Washington

(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))

91-1628146

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

98121

(Zip Code)

(206) 674-2700

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#### <u>Top of the Form</u> Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

Effective September 4, 2012, Eric Benhamou, a member of the Board of Directors of RealNetworks, Inc. (the "Company"), informed the Company that he will not stand for re-election at the Company's 2012 Annual Meeting of Shareholders (the "Annual Meeting"). Mr. Benhamou has served as a director since 2003, and there is no disagreement with the Company that led to his decision not to stand for re-election. Mr. Benhamou will continue to serve as lead independent director, chair of the Audit Committee and a member of the Compensation and Strategic Transactions Committees of the Board of Directors until the expiration of his term at the Annual Meeting.

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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.

RealNetworks, Inc.

September 10, 2012

By: /s/ Michael Parham

Name: Michael Parham Title: Senior Vice President and General Counsel