

ERESEARCHTECHNOLOGY INC /DE/

Form 8-K

July 27, 2006

**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: July 25, 2006  
(Date of earliest event reported)

**eResearchTechnology, Inc.**

(Exact name of Registrant as  
specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

**0-29100**

**22-3264604**

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

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

**30 South 17<sup>th</sup> Street,  
Philadelphia, PA**

**19103**

(Address of principal executive  
offices)

(Zip Code)

**215-972-0420**

(Registrant's telephone number,  
including area code)

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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 PRINCIPAL OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS;  
APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL OFFICERS.**

On July 25, 2006, Michael J. McKelvey, who joined the Company as President and Chief Executive Officer on June 23, 2006, was elected as a director of the Company to fill a vacancy on the Board of Directors. Dr. McKelvey's term will expire at the 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

**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.

**eResearchTechnology, Inc.**  
**(Registrant)**

Date: July 27, 2006

By: /s/ Richard A. Baron

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Richard A. Baron  
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial  
Officer

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