#### 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 17, 2007

# **BRANTLEY CAPITAL CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation

287 Bowman Ave., 2nd Floor, Purchase, NY (Address of principal executive offices) 814-00127 (Commission File Number) 34-1838462 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

10577

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including (914) 510-9400 area code:

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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

# Item 8.01 Other Events.

On September 17, 2007, Brantley Capital Corporation (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that the Company has entered into a memorandum of understanding providing the terms of a settlement in principle to resolve the two pending lawsuits to which the Company is a party.

The foregoing summary does not purport to be complete and is subject to and qualified in its entirety by reference to the text of the Company's Press Release filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto. Exhibit 99.1 is incorporated by reference into this Item 8.01.

### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits
  - 99.1 Brantley Capital Corporation Press Release dated September 17, 2007.

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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.

### BRANTLEY CAPITAL CORPORATION

Date: September 17, 2007

By:

/s/ Phillip Goldstein Phillip Goldstein Chairman of the Board