

**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): March 15, 2021

Dine Brands Global, Inc.
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

001-15283
(Commission
File No.)

95-3038279
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

450 North Brand Boulevard, Glendale, California
(Address of principal executive offices)

91203-2306
(Zip Code)

(818) 240-6055
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- 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))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value	DIN	New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On March 15, 2021, Bryan R. Adel notified the Board of Directors of his intent to retire from Dine Brands Global, Inc. (the “Corporation”) as Senior Vice President, Legal, General Counsel and Secretary, effective April 23, 2021.

Christine K. Son, age 46, will serve as Senior Vice President, Legal, General Counsel and Secretary, effective April 23, 2021. Ms. Son joined the Corporation in 2011, and has served as Vice President, Deputy General Counsel and Assistant Secretary of the Corporation since 2019 and as Vice President, Associate General Counsel from 2014 to 2019.

A copy of the Corporation’s press release announcing the retirement of Mr. Adel and the appointment of Ms. Son is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release issued by the Corporation on March 17, 2021.
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

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 thereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 17, 2021

DINE BRANDS GLOBAL, INC.

By: /s/ Bryan R. Adel
Senior Vice President, Legal, General
Counsel and Secretary



News Release

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**General Counsel Bryan R. Adel Retires from Dine Brands Global, Inc.,
Christine K. Son Appointed As Successor**

GLENDALE, Calif., March 17, 2021 – Dine Brands Global, Inc. (NYSE: DIN), the parent company of Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar® and IHOP® restaurants, today announced that Bryan R. Adel, Senior Vice President, Legal, General Counsel and Secretary has decided to retire from Dine Brands Global, Inc. effective April 23, 2021.

Since joining Dine Brands over 10 years ago, Bryan has been an instrumental leader, delivering outstanding legal and business results, and providing significant leadership through the recent pandemic. In addition to building a first-rate legal function, Bryan also led the Risk Management, Quality Assurance, Franchise Administration, Cybersecurity, Communications, Government Relations, and Internal Audit departments.

“As a leader of character and integrity, Bryan has served as a trusted advisor to the Board of Directors, and I cannot thank him enough for his extraordinary contributions and strategic counsel over the years,” stated Richard J. Dahl, Chairman of the Board of Directors.

Christine K. Son, currently Vice President, Deputy General Counsel, has been promoted to Senior Vice President, Legal, General Counsel and Secretary effective April 23, 2021. In addition to Legal, Christine will oversee Risk Management, Franchise Administration, Government Relations and Internal Audit.

“Christine has a long and successful track record with the company, working with both the IHOP and Applebee's leadership teams. Christine is an accomplished attorney with a keen knowledge of and focus on the business; she will be an outstanding General Counsel. Bryan and Christine have been great partners. We appreciate the leadership Bryan has provided over the last 10 years at Dine as our General Counsel and we look forward to a smooth transition with Christine in her new role,” commented John Peyton, Chief Executive Officer.

About Dine Brands Global, Inc.

Based in Glendale, California, Dine Brands Global, Inc. (NYSE: DIN), through its subsidiaries, franchises restaurants under both the Applebee's Neighborhood Grill + Bar and IHOP brands. With approximately 3,500 restaurants combined in 17 countries and approximately 350 franchisees, Dine Brands is one of the largest full-service restaurant companies in the world. For more information on Dine Brands, visit the Company's website located at www.dinebrands.com.

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