

SPECIALTY LABORATORIES INC

Form 8-K

March 22, 2004

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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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 22, 2004**

Specialty Laboratories, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-16217

(Commission File Number)

95-2961036

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

2211 Michigan Avenue, Santa Monica, California

Address of principal executive offices)

90404

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(310) 828-6543**

Not applicable

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

Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure.

On March 22, 2004, Specialty Laboratories, Inc., (the Registrant) announced that Frank J. Spina, senior vice president and chief financial officer, left the Company effective March 19, 2004 to pursue other professional opportunities.

A copy of the press release issued by the Registrant on March 22, 2004 concerning the foregoing matter is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

The following document is filed as an exhibit to this report:

99.1

Press Release dated March 22, 2004.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Specialty Laboratories, Inc. has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized, in the City of Santa Monica, State of California, on March 22, 2004.

SPECIALTY LABORATORIES, INC.

By: /s/ Nicholas R. Simmons
 Nicholas R. Simmons
 General Counsel