WADDELL & REED FINANCIAL INC Form 8-K May 15, 2014

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):

May 15, 2014

WADDELL & REED FINANCIAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-13913 (Commission File Number)

51-0261715 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

6300 Lamar Avenue

Overland Park, Kansas 66202

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(913) 236-2000

(Registrant s Telephone Number, including Area Code)

(Registrant	s Former N	ame or Former	Address, i	if Changed	Since Last Re	port)

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):

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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The information in this report is being furnished pursuant to Item 7.01, Regulation FD Disclosure. In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information in this report shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing. The furnishing of the information set forth in this report is not intended to, and does not, constitute a determination or admission as to the materiality or completeness of such information.

On May 15, 2014, Waddell & Reed Financial, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing a portfolio management change in the Waddell & Reed/Ivy Asset Strategy portfolios. A copy of the Company s press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01: FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

- (d) Exhibits.
- 99.1 Press Release dated May 15, 2014 titled Waddell & Reed Financial, Inc. Announces Portfolio Management Change (furnished and not filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and not deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended).

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

WADDELL & REED FINANCIAL, INC.

Date: May 15, 2014 By: /s/ Wendy J. Hills Wendy J. Hills

Senior Vice President and

General Counsel

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