
**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): October 19, 2017

Donegal Group Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

0-15341
(Commission
file number)

23-02424711
(I.R.S. employer
identification no.)

1195 River Road, Marietta, Pennsylvania
(Address of principal executive offices)

17547
(Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 717-426-1931

Not Applicable

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

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:

- 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))

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-2 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 8.01. Other Information.

On October 19, 2017, Donegal Mutual Insurance Company (“Donegal Mutual”), the holder of majority voting control of the Registrant, announced that its chief executive officer, Donald H. Nikolaus, has taken a temporary medical leave of absence.

The board of directors of Donegal Mutual named Kevin G. Burke, president and chief executive officer of Donegal Group Inc., to serve as acting chief executive officer of Donegal Mutual during Mr. Nikolaus’ leave of absence.

The boards of directors of several of the Registrant’s subsidiaries for which Mr. Nikolaus serves as president and chief executive officer named Mr. Burke to serve as acting chief executive officer of those subsidiaries during Mr. Nikolaus’ leave of absence.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Exhibit Description</u>
99.1	Donegal Mutual press release dated October 19, 2017

**DONEGAL MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ON MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

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For Immediate Release

MARIETTA, Pennsylvania, October 19, 2017 – Donegal Mutual Insurance Company, the holder of majority voting control of Donegal Group Inc. (NASDAQ: DGICA and DGICB), announced today that its chief executive officer, Donald H. Nikolaus, has taken a temporary medical leave of absence.

The board of directors named Kevin G. Burke, president and chief executive officer of Donegal Group Inc., to serve as acting chief executive officer of Donegal Mutual Insurance Company during Mr. Nikolaus' leave of absence. Mr. Burke has served as executive vice president and chief operating officer of Donegal Mutual Insurance Company since 2014 and in other positions since 2000.

About the Donegal Insurance Group

The insurance subsidiaries of Donegal Group Inc. and Donegal Mutual Insurance Company conduct business together as the Donegal Insurance Group. The Donegal Insurance Group offers personal and commercial property and casualty lines of insurance in 26 Mid-Atlantic, Midwestern, New England and Southern states. The Donegal Insurance Group has an A.M. Best rating of A (Excellent). Donegal Mutual Insurance Company and Donegal Group Inc. together own Donegal Financial Services Corporation, a grandfathered unitary savings and loan holding company, which owns Union Community Bank, a state savings bank.