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): January 3, 2007

Commission file number 001-16111



GLOBAL PAYMENTS INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Georgia

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

10 Glenlake Parkway, North Tower, Atlanta, Georgia (Address of principal executive offices) 58-2567903 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

> **30328-3473** (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 770-829-8234

NONE

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers

On January 3, 2007, Global Payments Inc. (the "Company") learned of the death of Mr. Charles G. Betty, a member of the Board of Directors. Mr. Betty served on the Company's Board of Directors as a Class I director since July 2002 and most recently served on the Audit Committee and Governance and Nominating Committee.

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: January 4, 2007

Global Payments Inc.

(Registrant)

By: /s/ Joseph C. Hyde

Joseph C. Hyde Chief Financial Officer

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