

INDEPENDENCE HOLDING CO  
Form 8-K  
September 25, 2017

**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) September 25, 2017

**INDEPENDENCE HOLDING COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<b>Delaware</b> (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	<b>001-32244</b> (Commission File Number)	<b>58-1407235</b> (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
<b>96 Cummings Point Road, Stamford, Connecticut</b> (Address of principal executive offices)		<b>06902</b> (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(203) 358-8000**

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

(b) On September 25, 2017, the Board of Directors appointed Mr. David T. Kettig as President of Independence Holding Company. Mr. Kettig will continue his duties as the Company's Chief Operating Officer and Acting General Counsel. Mr. Roy T.K. Thung will continue as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company.

**SIGNATURE**

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.

**INDEPENDENCE HOLDING COMPANY**

(Registrant)

By: Teresa A. Herbert

Date: September 25, 2017

*/s/ Teresa A. Herbert*

Teresa A. Herbert

Chief Financial Officer and Senior Vice President

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