

ALLIED CAPITAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
February 24, 2010

**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): February 24, 2010  
Allied Capital Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland

0-22832

52-1081052

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

1919 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.,  
Washington, District of Columbia

20006

(Address of principal executive  
offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 202 721-6100  
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))

**Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On February 24, 2010, Allied Capital issued a press release announcing its 2009 financial results. The press release is included as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press release dated February 24, 2010.

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**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 hereunto duly authorized.

Allied Capital Corporation

*February 24, 2010*

*By: Penni F. Roll*

*Name: Penni F. Roll*

*Title: Chief Financial Officer*