

BOWNE & CO INC
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Registration No.

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Form S-8
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
under
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

Bowne & Co., Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

13-2618477 (State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation or Organization) (I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

345 Hudson Street

New York, New York 10014

(Address, Including Zip Code, of Registrant's Principal Executive Office)

Bowne & Co., Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan

(Full Title of the Plan)

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CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Securities to be Registered	Amount to be Registered	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Share*	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price*	Amount of Registration Fee*
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	3,000,000	\$11.635	\$34,905,000	\$8,726.25

* Pursuant to Rule 457 under the Securities Act of 1933, the proposed maximum aggregate offering price per share, the proposed maximum aggregate offering price and the registration fee are based on the average of the high and low prices per share of the Registrant's Common Stock reported on the New York Stock Exchange on July 9, 2001.

PART II**INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS****Item 3. *Incorporation of Documents by Reference.***

The following documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by Bowne & Co., Inc. (the Company or Registrant) are hereby incorporated in this Registration Statement by reference:

(a) Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2000.

(b) Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2001.

(c) The description of the Company's Common Stock contained in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on June 23, 1998.

All documents filed by the Company pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 after the date of this Registration Statement and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement which indicates that all securities offered have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and to be a part hereof from the date of filing such documents. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

Item 4. *Description of Securities.*

Not applicable.

Item 5. *Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.*

Not applicable.

Item 6. *Indemnification of Directors and Officers.*

The Company is a Delaware corporation. Reference is made to Section 102(b)(7) of the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "DGCL"), which enables a corporation in its original certificate of incorporation or an amendment thereto to eliminate or limit the personal liability of a director for violations of a director's fiduciary duty, except (i) any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders, (ii) acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or knowing violation of law, (iii) transactions described in Section 174 of the DGCL (providing for liability of directors for unlawful payment of dividends or unlawful stock purchases or redemptions), or (iv) any transaction from which a director derived an improper personal benefit.

Reference is also made to Section 145 of the DGCL, which empowers a Delaware corporation to indemnify any person who was or is a party, or is threatened to be made a party, to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of such corporation), by reason of the fact that such person is or was an officer, director, employee or agent of such corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise. The indemnity may include expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding, provided that such person acted in good faith and in a manner the person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the corporation's best interests, and, for criminal proceedings, had no reasonable cause to believe the person's conduct was unlawful. A Delaware corporation may indemnify any person in an action by or in the right of the corporation under the same conditions, except that no indemnification is permitted without judicial approval if the person is adjudged to be liable to the corporation. Where a present or former officer or director is

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successful on the merits or otherwise in the defense of any action referred to above, the corporation must indemnify such person against the expenses (including attorney's fees) which such person actually and reasonably incurred.

Article Ninth of the Company's Certificate of Incorporation, furthermore, provides that no director of the Company is personally liable to the Company or its stockholders for damages for any breach of duty as a director unless a judgment or other final adjudication adverse to him establishes that his acts or omissions involved bad faith, intentional misconduct, a knowing violation of law or certain expressly prohibited acts, or that he personally gained a financial profit or other advantage to which he was not legally entitled.

Article VII of the Company's By-Laws provides that the Company shall indemnify all persons whom it shall have power to indemnify from and against all expenses, liabilities or other matters to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL as from time to time amended.

The Company also has liability insurance policies in effect which cover certain claims against officers and directors of the Company by reason of certain breaches of duty, neglect, errors or omissions committed by them in such capacities as officers and directors.

Item 7. *Exemption from Registration Claimed.*

Not Applicable.

Item 8. *Exhibits.*

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- 3(a) Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed June 23, 1998)
- 3(b) Certificate of Designations (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed June 23, 1998)
- 3(c) By-Laws (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed June 23, 1998)
- 4 Rights Agreement, dated as of June 19, 1998, between the Company and The Bank of New York (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 5 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed June 23, 1998)
- 5 Opinion of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett regarding the legality of the common stock being registered
- 23.1 Consent of KPMG LLP
- 23.2 Consent of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett (included in Exhibit 5)
- 24 Power of Attorney

Item 9. *Undertakings.*

The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:

(i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act");

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of this Registration Statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in this Registration Statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement; and

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in this Registration Statement or any material change to such information set forth in this Registration Statement;

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provided, however, that the undertakings set forth in paragraphs (i) and (ii) above do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed with or furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") that are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(4) That, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and each filing of each plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in this Registration

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