SONOSITE INC Form 8-K January 06, 2011

## 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

December 31, 2010
Date of Report
(Date of Earliest Event Reported)

SONOSITE, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Washington (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 0-23791 (Commission File No.)

91-1405022 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

21919 30th Drive S.E., Bothell, Washington 98021-3904 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(425) 951-1200

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

None

(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 communication 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 240.13e4(c))

Item 5.02

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

(b)

On December 31, 2010, the Board of Directors of SonoSite, Inc. (the "Company"), as part of an annual evaluation of the Company's organizational structure and officer reporting relationships and responsibilities, made the determination that Graham D. Cox, Senior Vice President, International Business and Strategic Development, should not be designated as an "officer" for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or Rule 16a-1(f) promulgated under the Exchange Act or as an "executive officer" within the meaning of Rule 3b-7 promulgated under the Exchange Act.

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## **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, SonoSite, Inc. has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

SONOSITE, INC.

Dated: January 6, 2011 By: /S/ MARCUS Y. SMITH

Marcus Y. Smith

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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