AMERICAN EXPRESS CO Form 8-K December 04, 2014

#### 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): December 2, 2014

AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 1-7657 (Commission File Number) 13-4922250 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

200 Vesey Street New York, New York (Address of principal executive offices)

10285 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 640-2000

Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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

(b) On December 2, 2014, Richard A. McGinn notified American Express Company that he will leave the Board of Directors effective December 31, 2014 in order to devote more time to his private investments and other business ventures. Mr. McGinn has served as a director since 1998.

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## 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 hereunto duly authorized.

# AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY (REGISTRANT)

By:

/s/ Carol V. Schwartz Name: Carol V. Schwartz Title: Secretary

Date: December 4, 2014

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