

FORCE PROTECTION INC  
Form 8-K  
April 18, 2005

**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): January 21, 2005

**FORCE PROTECTION, INC.**

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Nevada**

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(State or other jurisdiction  
incorporation)

**000-22273**

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(Commission File Number)

**84-1383888**

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(IRS Employer of  
Identification No.)

**9801 Highway 78, #3, Ladson, SC**

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(Address of principal executive offices)

**29456**

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(Zip Code)

**(843) 740-7015**

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(Registrant's telephone number)

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers**

Our Board of Directors has named Gordon McGilton as our Chief Executive Officer, effective April 18, 2005, and to serve on the Board of Directors. Mr. McGilton, our current Chief Quality Officer, will replace Mr. Ervin, who has acted in an interim capacity since January 27, 2005. Mr. Ervin will continue to act as a director and as General Counsel.

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.1

Force Protection, Inc.  
Registrant

Date: April 18, 2005

By:

/s/ Scott Ervin  
R. Scott Ervin  
Interim Chief Executive Officer