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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): March 9, 2015

Artisan Partners Asset Management Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(Commission file number)

45-0969585 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

875 E. Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 800

Milwaukee, WI 53202

(Address of principal executive offices

and zip code)

001-35826

(414) 390-6100

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

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- "Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On March 9, 2015, the previously announced sale in an underwritten offering of 3,831,550 shares of Class A common stock of Artisan Partners Asset Management Inc. (the "Company") to Citigroup Global Markets Inc. was completed. The Company used all of the proceeds of the offering to purchase 3,831,550 common units of Artisan Partners Holdings LP ("Holdings"), the Company's direct subsidiary, from certain limited partners of Holdings. The limited partners who sold common units include certain of the Company's officers and employees and Artisan Investment Corporation, an entity controlled by the Chairman of the Company's board of directors. The completion of the transaction increased the Company's public float of Class A common stock by 3,831,550 shares.

In connection with the offering, the Company, Holdings and Citigroup Global Markets Inc. entered into an underwriting agreement (the "Underwriting Agreement"), which contains customary representations, warranties and covenants and includes the terms and conditions for the sale of the shares of Class A common stock by the Company to Citigroup Global Markets Inc., indemnification and contribution obligations and other terms and conditions customary in agreements of this type.

A copy of the Underwriting Agreement is filed as Exhibit 1.1 hereto and is incorporated by reference.

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The information in this Item 8.01, including the exhibit incorporated herein by reference, shall be deemed "filed" for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and shall be deemed incorporated by reference in the Company's filings under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number	Description of Exhibit
1.1	Underwriting Agreement, dated as of March 3, 2015, among Artisan Partners Asset Management Inc., Artisan Partners Holdings LP and Citigroup Global Markets Inc.
5.1	Opinion of Sullivan & Cromwell LLP
23.1	Consent of Sullivan & Cromwell LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1)

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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.

Artisan Partners Asset Management Inc.

Date: March 9, 2015

By: /s/ Charles J. Daley, Jr. Name: Charles J. Daley, Jr.

Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer