PEAPACK GLADSTONE FINANCIAL CORP Form 8-K January 24, 2019

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, 2019

PEAPACK-GLADSTONE FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

New Jersey 001-16197 22-3537895 (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

500 Hills Drive, Suite 300, Bedminster, New Jersey 07921 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (908) 234-0700

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):

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (240.12b-2 of this chapter)
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13 (a) of the Exchange Act

Item 5.02.	Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.
intent to	party 21, 2019, John D. Kissel of Bay Head, New Jersey, notified the Company and the Bank in writing of his pretire from the Board of Directors of both the Company and the Bank, effective January 31, 2019, to pursue and personal interests. Mr. Kissel has proudly served as an active and caring Board Member for 31 years since
of his ir pursue f	part 21, 2019, James R. Lamb, Esq. of Mendham, New Jersey, notified the Company and the Bank in writing attent to retire from the Board of Directors of both the Company and the Bank, effective January 31, 2019, to family and personal interests. Mr. Lamb has proudly served as an active and caring Board Member for 25 nace 1993.
	teld Meyercord, Chairman of the Board, said, "Both John and Jim have worked tirelessly to help guide and the Company over their many years of service. Both will be missed."

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.

PEAPACK-GLADSTONE FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Dated: January 24, 2019 By: /s/Jeffrey J. Carfora Name: Jeffrey J. Carfora

Title: Senior Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer