

COHEN & STEERS INC
Form S-3
August 09, 2012
Table of Contents

As filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 9, 2012

Registration No. 333-

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM S-3
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

COHEN & STEERS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

280 Park Avenue
New York, NY 10017
Telephone: (212) 832-3232

14-1904657
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

Edgar Filing: COHEN & STEERS INC - Form S-3

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

Francis C. Poli, Esq.

Executive Vice President and General Counsel

Cohen & Steers, Inc.

280 Park Avenue

New York, NY 10017

Telephone: (212) 832-3232

(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

With a copy to:

Joshua Ford Bonnie

Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP

425 Lexington Avenue

New York, NY 10017-3954

Telephone: (212) 455-2000

Facsimile: (212) 455-2502

Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: From time to time after the effective date of this Registration Statement.

If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box.

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box.

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this Form is a registration statement pursuant to General Instruction I.D. or a post-effective amendment thereto that shall become effective upon filing with the Commission pursuant to Rule 462(e) under the Securities Act, check the following box.

If this Form is a post-effective amendment to a registration statement filed pursuant to General Instruction I.D. filed to register additional securities or additional classes of securities pursuant to Rule 413(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Edgar Filing: COHEN & STEERS INC - Form S-3

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a small reporting company)

Smaller reporting company

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

| Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered | Amount to be Registered(1) | Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Security(2) | Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price(2) | Amount of Registration Fee |
|---|----------------------------|---|--|----------------------------|
| Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 10,000,000 shares | \$ 34.22 | \$ 342,200,000 | \$ 0(3) |
| Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, to be offered by the selling stockholders | 12,000,000 shares | \$ 34.22 | \$ 410,640,000 | \$ 0(3) |

- (1) Pursuant to Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act), this Registration Statement shall also cover any additional shares of the Registrant's securities that become issuable by reason of any stock split, stock dividends, recapitalization, or other similar transactions.
- (2) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the amount of the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act. The price is computed based upon the average of the high and low sale prices of the Registrant's common stock on August 8, 2012, as reported on the New York Stock Exchange.
- (3) The 10,000,000 shares of common stock registered hereunder for sale by the Registrant and the 12,000,000 shares of common stock registered hereunder for sale by certain selling stockholders (collectively, the Unsold Securities) were registered pursuant to a Registration Statement on Form S-3 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) on August 10, 2009 (File No. 333-161230), as amended by Amendment No. 1 to Form S-3 filed with the SEC on September 30, 2009 and Amendment No. 2 to Form S-3 filed with the SEC on November 4, 2009, and subsequently declared effective on November 12, 2009 (the Prior Registration Statement). As of the date hereof, all of the Unsold Securities remain unsold. Pursuant to Rule 415(a)(6) under the Securities Act, the aggregate filing fee of \$7,961 previously paid in connection with the Unsold Securities will continue to be applied to the Unsold Securities. Pursuant to Rule 415(a)(6) under the Securities Act, the offering of Unsold Securities under the Prior Registration Statement will be deemed terminated as of the date of effectiveness of this Registration Statement.

The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until the Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

Table of Contents

The information in this preliminary prospectus is not complete and may be changed. These securities may not be sold until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This preliminary prospectus is not an offer to sell nor does it seek an offer to buy these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted.

SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED AUGUST 9, 2012

22,000,000 Shares

Cohen & Steers, Inc.

Common Stock

Cohen & Steers, Inc. may offer from time to time up to 10,000,000 shares of common stock in one or more offerings. The selling stockholders identified in this prospectus may offer from time to time up to 12,000,000 shares of common stock in one or more offerings.

This prospectus describes the general manner in which the shares of common stock may be offered and sold by us and the selling stockholders. If necessary, the specific manner in which these securities may be offered and sold will be described in a supplement to this prospectus.

Our common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol **CNS** . The last reported sale price of the shares of our common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on August 6, 2012, was \$34.32 per share.

*Investing in our securities involves risks. You should carefully consider the risks described under **Risk Factors** in Item 1A of our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and Item 1A of any subsequently filed Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q (which documents are incorporated by reference herein), as well as the other information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus or in any prospectus supplement hereto before making a decision to invest in our securities. See **Where You Can Find More Information** below.*

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission or other regulatory body has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is _____, 2012

Table of Contents

TABLE OF CONTENTS

| | Page |
|--|-------------|
| <u>COHEN & STEERS</u> | 1 |
| <u>FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS</u> | 2 |
| <u>WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION</u> | 3 |
| <u>USE OF PROCEEDS</u> | 4 |
| <u>DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK</u> | 5 |
| <u>MATERIAL UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME AND ESTATE TAX CONSEQUENCES</u> | 8 |
| <u>CERTAIN ERISA MATTERS</u> | 12 |
| <u>SELLING STOCKHOLDERS</u> | 13 |
| <u>PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION</u> | 14 |
| <u>LEGAL MATTERS</u> | 15 |
| <u>EXPERTS</u> | 15 |

You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus or any supplement to this prospectus. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with different information. Neither we nor the selling stockholders are making an offer to sell or seeking an offer to buy these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should not assume that the information contained in this prospectus or any supplement to this prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front cover of those documents. You should read all information supplementing this prospectus.

This prospectus is part of a registration statement that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission using a shelf registration process. Under the shelf registration process, we may offer from time to time up to an aggregate of 10,000,000 shares of common stock in one or more offerings. In addition, certain selling stockholders may offer from time to time up to an aggregate of 12,000,000 shares of common stock in one or more offerings.

Table of Contents

COHEN & STEERS

Cohen & Steers, Inc., a Delaware corporation formed in 2004, together with its wholly-owned subsidiaries (collectively, the Company, we or our), is a leading global investment management firm focused on global real estate securities, global listed infrastructure, real assets, large cap value stocks, and preferred securities. We serve individual and institutional investors through a wide range of open-end mutual funds, closed-end mutual funds and institutional accounts. We also manage alternative investment strategies such as hedged real estate securities portfolios and private real estate multimanager strategies for qualified investors. Our revenue is derived primarily from investment advisory, administration, distribution and service fees received from open-end and closed-end mutual funds and investment advisory fees received from institutional accounts. These fees are based on contractually specified percentages of the assets of each client's portfolio. Revenue fluctuates with changes in the total value of the portfolios and is recognized over the period that the assets are managed.

Our principal executive offices are located at 280 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10017, and our telephone number is (212) 832-3232.

Table of Contents

FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus contains or incorporates by reference forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), relating to our operations and our results of operations that are based on our current expectations, estimates and projections. You can identify these forward-looking statements by the use of words such as outlook, believes, expects, potential, continues, may, will, should, seeks, approximately, predicts, intends, plans, es negative versions of these words or other comparable words. Such forward-looking statements are subject to various risks and uncertainties.

Accordingly, there are or will be important factors that could cause actual outcomes or results to differ materially from those indicated in these statements. We believe that these factors include, but are not limited to, those described under Risk Factors in Item 1A of our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and Item 1A of any subsequently filed Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q (which documents are incorporated by reference herein), as well as the other information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus or in any prospectus supplement hereto. These factors should not be construed as exhaustive and should be read in conjunction with the other cautionary statements that are included in these reports. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or review any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise.

Table of Contents

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We are required to file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy any documents filed by us at the SEC's public reference room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information about the public reference room. Our filings with the SEC are also available to the public through the SEC's Internet site at <http://www.sec.gov> and through the New York Stock Exchange, 20 Broad Street, New York, New York 10005. We make available free of charge on our website (<http://www.cohenandsteers.com>) our Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K and all amendments to those reports as soon as reasonably practicable after such material is electronically filed with the SEC.

We have filed a registration statement on Form S-3 with the SEC relating to the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus. This prospectus is a part of the registration statement and does not contain all of the information in the registration statement. Whenever a reference is made in this prospectus to a contract or other document of ours, please be aware that the reference is only a summary and that you should refer to the exhibits that are part of the registration statement for a copy of the contract or other document. You may review a copy of the registration statement at the SEC's public reference room in Washington, D.C., as well as through the SEC's Internet site.

The SEC's rules allow us to incorporate by reference information into this prospectus. This means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to another document. Any information referred to in this way is considered part of this prospectus from the date we file that document. Any reports filed by us with the SEC after the date of the initial registration statement and prior to effectiveness of the registration statement and any reports filed by us with the SEC after the date of this prospectus and before the date that the offerings of the shares of common stock by means of this prospectus are terminated will automatically update and, where applicable, supersede any information contained in this prospectus or incorporated by reference in this prospectus.

We incorporate by reference into this prospectus the following documents or information filed with the SEC:

- (1) Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011, filed on March 15, 2012 (File No. 001-32236);
- (2) Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2012, filed on May 10, 2012 (File No. 001-32236);
- (3) Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2012, filed on August 9, 2012 (File No. 001-32236);
- (4) Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on May 9, 2012 (File No. 001-32236);
- (5) Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A, filed March 23, 2012 (File No. 001-32236);
- (6) The description of shares of common stock contained in the Registration Statement on Form 8-A, dated June 28, 2004 (File No. 001-32236), filed with the SEC under Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act; and
- (7) All documents filed by us under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the date of the initial registration statement and prior to effectiveness of the registration statement and after the date of this prospectus and before the termination of the offerings to which this prospectus relates.

We will provide without charge to each person, including any beneficial owner, to whom this prospectus is delivered, upon his or her written or oral request, a copy of any or all documents referred to above which have been or may be incorporated by reference into this prospectus, excluding exhibits to those documents unless they are specifically incorporated by reference into those documents. You can request those documents from the Corporate Secretary, Cohen & Steers, Inc., at 280 Park Avenue, 10th Floor, New York, New York 10017. You may also contact the Corporate Secretary at (212) 832-3232.

Table of Contents

USE OF PROCEEDS

Unless otherwise indicated in a prospectus supplement, we intend to use the net proceeds from our sale of shares of common stock pursuant to this prospectus from time to time to enhance our asset management platform, launch new products, expand distribution, and for other general corporate purposes. Pending specific application of the net proceeds, we intend to invest them in short-term marketable securities.

We will not receive any proceeds from the sale of any shares of common stock offered by the selling stockholders.

Table of Contents

DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

Our authorized capital stock consists of 500,000,000 shares of common stock, par value \$.01 per share, and 50,000,000 shares of preferred stock. The following description of our capital stock is a summary and is qualified in its entirety by reference to our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Amended and Restated Bylaws, the forms of which are filed as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part, and by applicable law.

Common Stock

All outstanding shares of our common stock are, and all shares of common stock to be outstanding immediately following this offering will be, fully paid and nonassessable.

Holders of our common stock are entitled to one vote for each share held of record on all matters submitted to a vote of stockholders.

Holders of our common stock are entitled to receive dividends when and if declared by our board of directors out of funds legally available therefor, subject to any statutory or contractual restrictions on the payment of dividends and to any restrictions on the payment of dividends imposed by the terms of any outstanding preferred stock.

Upon our dissolution or liquidation or the sale of all or substantially all of our assets, after payment in full of all amounts required to be paid to creditors and to the holders of preferred stock having liquidation preferences, if any, the holders of our common stock will be entitled to receive pro rata our remaining assets available for distribution.

Holders of our common stock do not have preemptive, subscription, redemption or conversion rights.

Preferred Stock

Our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation authorizes our board of directors to establish one or more series of preferred stock (including convertible preferred stock). Unless required by law or by any stock exchange, the authorized shares of preferred stock will be available for issuance without further action by you. Our board of directors is able to determine, with respect to any series of preferred stock, the terms and rights of that series, including:

the designation of the series;

the number of shares of the series, which our board may, except where otherwise provided in the preferred stock designation, increase or decrease, but not below the number of shares then outstanding;

whether dividends, if any, will be cumulative or non-cumulative and the dividend rate of the series;

the dates at which dividends, if any, will be payable;

the redemption rights and price or prices, if any, for shares of the series;

the terms and amounts of any sinking fund provided for the purchase or redemption of shares of the series;

Edgar Filing: COHEN & STEERS INC - Form S-3

the amounts payable on shares of the series in the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of the affairs of our company;

whether the shares of the series will be convertible into shares of any other class or series, or any other security, of our company or any other corporation, and, if so, the specification of the other class or series or other security, the conversion price or prices or rate or rates, any rate adjustments, the date or dates as of which the shares will be convertible and all other terms and conditions upon which the conversion may be made;

Table of Contents

restrictions on the issuance of shares of the same series or of any other class or series; and

the voting rights, if any, of the holders of the series.

We have no intention at the present time of issuing any preferred stock, and would make any determination to issue preferred stock only based on our judgment as to the best interests of the company and our stockholders. Moreover, our policy is that we would only issue preferred stock for capital raising purposes and would not issue preferred stock with voting or other rights that are disproportionate to the economic interests of such preferred stock. Nevertheless, we could issue a series of preferred stock that could, depending on the terms of the series, impede or discourage an acquisition attempt or other transaction that some, or a majority, of you might believe to be in your best interests or in which you might receive a premium for your common stock over the market price of the common stock.

Authorized but Unissued Capital Stock

Delaware law does not require stockholder approval for any issuance of authorized shares. However, the listing requirements of the New York Stock Exchange, which would apply so long as the common stock remains listed on the New York Stock Exchange, require stockholder approval of certain issuances equal to or exceeding 20% of the then outstanding voting power or then outstanding number of shares of common stock. These additional shares may be used for a variety of corporate purposes, including future public offerings, to raise additional capital or to facilitate acquisitions.

One of the effects of the existence of unissued and unreserved common stock or preferred stock may be to enable our board of directors to issue shares to persons friendly to current management, which issuance could render more difficult or discourage an attempt to obtain control of us by means of a merger, tender offer, proxy contest or otherwise, and thereby protect the continuity of our management and possibly deprive the stockholders of opportunities to sell their shares of common stock at prices higher than prevailing market prices.

Anti-Takeover Effects of Provisions of Delaware Law

We are a Delaware corporation subject to Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law. Section 203 provides that, subject to certain exceptions specified in the law, a Delaware corporation shall not engage in certain business combinations with any interested stockholder for a three year period following the time that the stockholder became an interested stockholder unless:

prior to such time, our board of directors approved either the business combination or the transaction that resulted in the stockholder becoming an interested stockholder;

upon consummation of the transaction that resulted in the stockholder becoming an interested stockholder, the interested stockholder owned at least 85% of our voting stock outstanding at the time the transaction commenced, excluding certain shares; or

at or subsequent to that time, the business combination is approved by our board of directors and by the affirmative vote of holders of at least 66²/₃% of the outstanding voting stock that is not owned by the interested stockholder.

Generally, a business combination includes a merger, asset or stock sale or other transaction resulting in a financial benefit to the interested stockholder. Subject to certain exceptions, an interested stockholder is a person who, together with that person's affiliates and associates, owns, or within the previous three years did own, 15% or more of our voting stock.

Under certain circumstances, Section 203 makes it more difficult for a person who would be an interested stockholder to effect various business combinations with a corporation for a three year period. The provisions of Section 203 may encourage companies interested in acquiring our company to negotiate in advance with our

Table of Contents

board of directors because the stockholder approval requirement would be avoided if our board of directors approves either the business combination or the transaction that results in the stockholder becoming an interested stockholder. These provisions also may make it more difficult to accomplish transactions that stockholders may otherwise deem to be in their best interests.

Transfer Agent and Registrar

The transfer agent and registrar for our common stock is BNY Mellon Shareowner Services LLC.

Table of Contents

MATERIAL UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME AND ESTATE TAX CONSEQUENCES

The following discussion is a summary of the material United States federal income tax consequences of the ownership of the common stock as of the date hereof. Except where noted, this summary deals only with common stock that are held as capital assets, and does not represent a detailed description of the United States federal income tax consequences applicable to you if you are subject to special treatment under the United States federal income tax laws, including if you are:

a dealer in securities or currencies;

a financial institution;

a regulated investment company;

a real estate investment trust;

a tax-exempt organization;

an insurance company;

a person holding the common stock as part of a hedging, integrated, conversion or constructive sale transaction or a straddle;

a trader in securities that has elected the mark-to-market method of accounting for your securities;

a person liable for alternative minimum tax;

a partnership or other pass-through entity for United States federal income tax purposes;

a United States Holder (as defined below) whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar;

a controlled foreign corporation ;

a passive foreign investment company ; or

a United States expatriate.

This summary is based upon provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), and regulations, rulings and judicial decisions as of the date hereof. Those authorities may be changed, perhaps retroactively, so as to result in United States federal income tax consequences different from those summarized below.

Edgar Filing: COHEN & STEERS INC - Form S-3

We will summarize any special United States federal tax considerations relevant to a particular issue of the common stock in the applicable prospectus supplement.

For purposes of this summary, a United States Holder means a beneficial owner of the common stock that is for United States federal income tax purposes:

an individual citizen or resident of the United States;

a corporation (or any other entity treated as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes) created or organized in or under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia;

an estate the income of which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of its source; or

a trust if it (1) is subject to the primary supervision of a court within the United States and one or more United States persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust or (2) has a valid election in effect under applicable United States Treasury regulations to be treated as a United States person.

Table of Contents

A Non-United States Holder means a beneficial owner of the common stock who is neither a United States Holder nor a partnership for United States federal income tax purposes.

If a partnership holds the common stock, the tax treatment of a partner will generally depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. If you are a partner of a partnership holding the common stock, you should consult your tax advisors.

This summary does not represent a detailed description of the United States federal income tax consequences to you in light of your particular circumstances and does not address the effects of any state, local or non-United States tax laws. **If you are considering the purchase of common stock, you should consult your own tax advisors concerning the particular United States federal income tax consequences to you, as well as the consequences to you arising under the laws of any other taxing jurisdiction.**

Common Stock

Consequences to United States Holders

The United States federal income tax consequences of the purchase, ownership or disposition of our common stock depend on a number of factors including:

the terms of the stock;

any put or call option or redemption provisions with respect to the stock;

any conversion or exchange feature with respect to the stock; and

the price at which the stock is sold.

United States Holders should carefully examine the applicable prospectus supplement regarding the material United States federal income tax consequences, if any, of the holding and disposition of our common stock.

Consequences to Non-United States Holders

The following is a summary of the material United States federal income and estate tax consequences that will apply to you if you are a Non-United States Holder of common stock.

Dividends

Dividends paid to you generally will be subject to withholding of United States federal income tax at a 30% rate or such lower rate as may be specified by an applicable income tax treaty. However, dividends that are effectively connected with your conduct of a trade or business within the United States (and, if required by an applicable income tax treaty, are attributable to a United States permanent establishment) are not subject to the withholding tax, provided certain certification and disclosure requirements are satisfied. Instead, such dividends are subject to United States federal income tax on a net income basis in the same manner as if you were a United States person as defined under the Code. If you are a foreign corporation, any such effectively connected dividends received by you may be subject to an additional branch profits tax at a 30% rate or such lower rate as may be specified by an applicable income tax treaty.

A Non-United States Holder of our common stock who wishes to claim the benefit of an applicable treaty rate and avoid backup withholding, as discussed below, for dividends will be required (a) to complete IRS Form W-8BEN (or other applicable form) and certify under penalties of perjury that such holder is not a United States person as defined under the Code and is eligible for treaty benefits or (b) if our common stock is held through certain foreign intermediaries, to satisfy the relevant certification requirements of applicable United States Treasury regulations. Special certification and other requirements apply to certain Non-United States Holders that are pass-through entities rather than corporations or individuals.

Table of Contents

If you are eligible for a reduced rate of United States withholding tax pursuant to an income tax treaty you may obtain a refund of any excess amounts withheld by filing an appropriate claim for refund with the IRS.

Gain on Disposition of Common Stock

Any gain realized on the disposition of our common stock generally will not be subject to United States federal income tax unless:

the gain is effectively connected with your conduct of a trade or business in the United States (and, if required by an applicable income tax treaty, is attributable to a United States permanent establishment);

you are an individual who is present in the United States for 183 days or more in the taxable year of that disposition, and certain other conditions are met; or

we are or have been a United States real property holding corporation for United States federal income tax purposes.

If you are an individual Non-United States Holder described in the first bullet point immediately above, you will be subject to tax on the net gain derived from the sale under regular graduated United States federal income tax rates. If you are an individual Non-United States Holder described in the second bullet point immediately above, you will be subject to a flat 30% tax on the gain derived from the sale, which may be offset by United States source capital losses, even though you are not considered a resident of the United States. If you are a Non-United States Holder that is a foreign corporation and you are described in the first bullet point immediately above, you will be subject to tax on your net gain in the same manner as if you were a United States person as defined under the Code and, in addition, you may be subject to the branch profits tax equal to 30% of your effectively connected earnings and profits or at such lower rate as may be specified by an applicable income tax treaty.

We believe we are not and do not anticipate becoming a United States real property holding corporation for United States federal income tax purposes.

Federal Estate Tax

If you are an individual, common stock held by you at the time of your death will be included in your gross estate for United States federal estate tax purposes, unless an applicable estate tax treaty provides otherwise.

Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

We must report annually to the IRS and you the amount of dividends paid to you and the tax withheld with respect to such dividends, regardless of whether withholding was required. Copies of the information returns reporting such dividends and withholding may also be made available to the tax authorities in the country in which you reside under the provisions of an applicable income tax treaty.

You will be subject to backup withholding for dividends paid to you unless you certify under penalties of perjury that you are a Non-United States Holder (and we do not have actual knowledge or reason to know that you are a United States person as defined under the Code), or you otherwise establish an exemption.

Information reporting and, depending on the circumstances, backup withholding will apply to the proceeds of a sale of our common stock within the United States or conducted through certain United States-related financial intermediaries, unless you certify under penalties of perjury that you are a Non-United States Holder (and the payor does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that you are a United States person as defined under the Code), or you otherwise establish an exemption.

Table of Contents

Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules will be allowed as a refund or a credit against your United States federal income tax liability provided the required information is furnished to the IRS.

Additional Withholding Requirements

Under recently enacted legislation and administrative guidance, the relevant withholding agent may be required to withhold 30% of any dividends paid after December 31, 2013 and the proceeds of a sale of our common stock paid after December 31, 2014 to (i) a foreign financial institution unless such foreign financial institution agrees to verify, report and disclose its U.S. accountholders and meets certain other specified requirements or (ii) a non-financial foreign entity that is the beneficial owner of the payment unless such entity certifies that it does not have any substantial United States owners or provides the name, address and taxpayer identification number of each substantial United States owner and such entity meets certain other specified requirements.

Table of Contents

CERTAIN ERISA MATTERS

Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable prospectus supplement, the offered shares of common stock may, subject to certain legal restrictions, be held by (i) an employee benefit plan (as defined in Section 3(3) of the Employee Retirement Security Act of 1974, as amended (ERISA)) that is subject to Title I of ERISA, (ii) a plan as defined in, and subject to, Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code) and (iii) a benefit plan investor within the meaning of Section 3(42) of ERISA. A fiduciary of any such employee benefit plan, plan, or benefit plan investor must determine that the purchase, holding and disposition of an interest in such offered shares of common stock is consistent with its fiduciary duties and will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code.

Table of Contents**SELLING STOCKHOLDERS**

The following table sets forth the name, the number of shares of common stock beneficially owned as of June 30, 2012, the maximum number of shares of common stock that may be offered pursuant to this prospectus and the number of shares of common stock that would be beneficially owned after the sale of the maximum number of shares of common stock for each selling stockholder.

| Name of Selling Stockholder | Shares Beneficially Owned | | Maximum Number of Shares to be Sold Hereunder | Shares Beneficially Owned After the Sale of the Maximum Number of Shares | |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|------------|---|--|------------|
| | Number | Percentage | | Number | Percentage |
| Martin Cohen | 11,680,016(1)(2) | 26.7% | 6,000,000(4) | 5,680,016 | 13.0% |
| Robert H. Steers | 11,972,329(2)(3) | 27.4% | 6,000,000(5) | 5,972,329 | 13.7% |

- (1) Includes 1,340,701 shares of common stock held by The Martin Cohen 1998 Family Trust, of which Mr. Cohen's spouse serves as trustee. Mr. Cohen disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by this trust.
- (2) We have also issued restricted stock units that represent a contractual right to receive a share of common stock on a specified delivery date in the future. The number of shares of common stock set forth above does not include the restricted stock units held by Mr. Cohen and the restricted stock units held by Mr. Steers since Messrs. Cohen and Steers do not have a right to acquire the shares underlying the restricted stock units within sixty days.
- (3) Includes 950,920 shares of common stock held by The Robert H. Steers Family Trust, of which Mr. Steers' spouse serves as trustee, and 3,852,334 shares of common stock held by The Robert H. Steers Qualified Annuity Trust, of which Mr. Steers serves as the trustee. Mr. Steers disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by these trusts.
- (4) The shares of common stock that may be sold by Mr. Cohen were received by him (1) in August 2004 pursuant to an internal reorganization effected prior to the completion of our initial public offering, (2) in August 2004 pursuant to purchases made at the time of our initial public offering or (3) on various dates between December 2004 and January 2012 pursuant to the award of restricted stock units granted pursuant to the Amended and Restated Cohen & Steers, Inc. 2004 Stock Incentive Plan. The shares of common stock that may be sold by Mr. Cohen may also include up to 161,880 shares scheduled to be delivered pursuant to outstanding restricted stock units held by Mr. Cohen as of the original date of filing of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part. The delivery of shares pursuant to such restricted stock units is subject to, in certain cases, continued service and compliance with certain restrictive covenants. See Note 2 above.
- (5) The shares of common stock that may be sold by Mr. Steers were received by him (1) in August 2004 pursuant to an internal reorganization effected prior to the completion of our initial public offering, (2) in August 2004 pursuant to purchases made at the time of our initial public offering or (3) on various dates between December 2004 and January 2012 pursuant to the award of restricted stock units granted pursuant to the Amended and Restated Cohen & Steers, Inc. 2004 Stock Incentive Plan. The shares of common stock that may be sold by Mr. Steers may also include up to 161,880 shares scheduled to be delivered pursuant to outstanding restricted stock units held by Mr. Steers as of the original date of filing of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part. The delivery of shares pursuant to such restricted stock units is subject to, in certain cases, continued service and compliance with certain restrictive covenants. See Note 2 above.

Table of Contents

PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We and the selling stockholders, and their pledgees, donees, transferees or other successors in interest, may from time to time offer and sell, separately or together, some or all of the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus. Registration of the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus does not mean, however, that those shares necessarily will be offered or sold.

The shares of common stock covered by this prospectus may be sold from time to time, at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, at prices related to market prices, at a fixed price or prices subject to change or at negotiated prices, by a variety of methods including the following:

on the New York Stock Exchange (including through at the market offerings);

in the over-the-counter market;

in privately negotiated transactions;

through broker/dealers, who may act as agents or principals;

through one or more underwriters on a firm commitment or best-efforts basis;

in a block trade in which a broker/dealer will attempt to sell a block of shares of common stock as agent but may position and resell a portion of the block as principal to facilitate the transaction;

through put or call option transactions relating to the shares of common stock;

directly to one or more purchasers;

through agents; or

in any combination of the above.

In effecting sales, brokers or dealers engaged by us or the selling stockholders may arrange for other brokers or dealers to participate. Broker/dealer transactions may include:

purchases of shares of common stock by a broker/dealer as principal and resales of the shares of common stock by the broker/dealer for its account pursuant to this prospectus;

ordinary brokerage transactions; or

Edgar Filing: COHEN & STEERS INC - Form S-3

transactions in which the broker/dealer solicits purchasers on a best efforts basis.

Neither we nor the selling stockholders have entered into any agreements, understandings or arrangements with any underwriters or broker/dealers regarding the sale of the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus. At any time a particular offer of the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus is made, a revised prospectus or prospectus supplement, if required, will set forth the aggregate amount of the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus being offered and the terms of the offering, including the name or names of any underwriters, dealers, brokers or agents. In addition, to the extent required, any discounts, commissions, concessions and other items constituting underwriters' or agents' compensation, as well as any discounts, commissions or concessions allowed or reallocated or paid to dealers, will be set forth in such revised prospectus supplement. Any such required prospectus supplement, and, if necessary, a post-effective amendment to the Registration Statement of which this prospectus is a part, will be filed with the SEC to reflect the disclosure of additional information with respect to the distribution of the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus.

To the extent required, the applicable prospectus supplement will set forth whether or not underwriters may over-allot or effect transactions that stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the market price of the common stock at levels above those that might otherwise prevail in the open market, including, for example, by entering stabilizing bids, effecting syndicate covering transactions or imposing penalty bids.

Table of Contents

If we utilize a dealer in the sale of the shares of common stock being offered pursuant to this prospectus, we will sell the shares of common stock to the dealer, as principal. The dealer may then resell the shares of common stock to the public at varying prices to be determined by the dealer at the time of resale.

We or the selling stockholders may also authorize agents or underwriters to solicit offers by certain types of institutional investors to purchase common stock from us at the public offering price set forth in the revised prospectus or prospectus supplement pursuant to delayed delivery contracts providing for payment and delivery on a specified date in the future. The conditions to these contracts and the commission that we or the selling stockholders must pay for solicitation of these contracts will be described in a revised prospectus or prospectus supplement.

In connection with the sale of the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus through underwriters, underwriters may receive compensation in the form of underwriting discounts or commissions and may also receive commissions from purchasers of shares of common stock for whom they may act as agent. Underwriters may sell to or through dealers, and such dealers may receive compensation in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions from the underwriters and/or commissions from the purchasers for whom they may act as agent.

Any underwriters, broker/dealers or agents participating in the distribution of the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus may be deemed to be underwriters within the meaning of the Securities Act, and any commissions received by any of those underwriters, broker/dealers or agents may be deemed to be underwriting commissions under the Securities Act.

We estimate that the total expenses in connection with the offer and sale of common stock pursuant to this prospectus, other than underwriting discounts and commissions, will be approximately \$250,000.

We and the selling stockholders may agree to indemnify underwriters, broker/dealers or agents against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, and may also agree to contribute to payments which the underwriters, broker/dealers or agents may be required to make.

Certain of the underwriters, broker/dealers or agents who may become involved in the sale of the shares of common stock may engage in transactions with and perform other services for us in the ordinary course of their business for which they receive customary compensation.

Some of the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus may be sold by selling stockholders in private transactions or under Rule 144 under the Securities Act rather than pursuant to this prospectus.

LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the common stock offered hereby will be passed upon for us by Salvatore Rappa, Esq., Senior Vice President and Associate General Counsel of the Company.

EXPERTS

The financial statements, incorporated in this prospectus by reference from the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011, and the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their reports, which are incorporated herein by reference. Such financial statements have been so incorporated in reliance upon the reports of such firm given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

Table of Contents

Table of Contents**PART II****INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS****Item 14. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution.**

The following is a reasonably itemized statement of all fees and expenses incurred or expected to be incurred by the Registrant in connection with the issuance and distribution of the shares of common stock being registered hereby, other than underwriting discounts and commissions, if any. All but the SEC registration fee are estimates and remain subject to future contingencies.

| | |
|---------------------------------|----------------|
| SEC registration fee | \$ 7,961 |
| Printing and engraving expenses | \$ 50,000 |
| Legal fees and expenses | \$ 150,000 |
| Accounting fees and expenses | \$ 25,000 |
| Miscellaneous | \$ 17,039 |
| Total | \$ 250,000 |

Item 15. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law provides, in summary, that directors and officers of Delaware corporations are entitled, under certain circumstances, to be indemnified against all expenses and liabilities (including attorneys' fees) incurred by them as a result of suits brought against them in their capacity as a director or officer, if they acted in good faith and in a manner they reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to our best interests, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, if they had no reasonable cause to believe their conduct was unlawful; provided that no indemnification may be made against expenses in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which they shall have been adjudged to be liable to us, unless and only to the extent that the court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all the circumstances of the case, they are fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which the court shall deem proper. Any such indemnification may be made by us only as authorized in each specific case upon a determination by the stockholders, disinterested directors or independent legal counsel that indemnification is proper because the indemnitee has met the applicable standard of conduct.

Our certificate of incorporation and by-laws provide that we will indemnify our directors and officers to the fullest extent permitted by law and that no director shall be liable for monetary damages to us or our stockholders for any breach of fiduciary duty, except to the extent provided by applicable law.

We currently maintain liability insurance for our directors and officers. Such insurance is available to our directors and officers in accordance with its terms.

Item 16. Exhibits.

Reference is made to the information contained in the Exhibit Index filed as part of this Registration Statement, which information is incorporated herein by reference pursuant to Rule 411 under the Securities Act.

Table of Contents

Item 17. Undertakings.

The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:

- (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement;
 - (i) to include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of;
 - (ii) to reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of this Registration Statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in this Registration Statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the Calculation of Registration Fee table in the effective Registration Statement; and
 - (iii) to include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in this Registration Statement or any material change to such information in this Registration Statement;
provided, however, that the undertakings set forth in paragraphs (i) and (ii) above do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the SEC by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement, or is contained in a form of prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) that is part of this Registration Statement.
- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (4) That, for the purpose of determining liability under the Securities Act to any purchaser:
 - (A) each prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(3) shall be deemed to be part of the Registration Statement as of the date the filed prospectus was deemed part of and included in the Registration Statement; and
 - (B) each prospectus required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424(b)(2), (b)(5) or (b)(7) as part of a registration statement in reliance on Rule 430B relating to an offering made pursuant to Rule 415(a)(1)(i), (vii) or (x) for the purpose of providing the information required by Section 10(a) of the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of and included in the Registration Statement as of the earlier of the date such form of prospectus is first used after effectiveness or the date of the first contract of sale of securities in the offering described in the prospectus. As provided in Rule 430B, for liability purposes of the issuer and any person that is at that date an underwriter, such date shall be deemed to be a new effective date of the Registration Statement relating to the securities in the Registration Statement to which that prospectus relates, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof. *Provided, however,* that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus that is part of the Registration Statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement

Edgar Filing: COHEN & STEERS INC - Form S-3

or prospectus that is part of the Registration Statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such effective date, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the Registration Statement or prospectus that was part of the Registration Statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such effective date.

II-2

Table of Contents

- (5) That, for the purpose of determining liability of the registrant under the Securities Act to any purchaser in the initial distribution of the securities, the undersigned registrant undertakes that in a primary offering of securities of the undersigned registrant pursuant to this Registration Statement, regardless of the underwriting method used to sell the securities to the purchaser, if the securities are offered or sold to such purchaser by means of any of the following communications, the undersigned registrant will be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to such purchaser:
- (i) Any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned registrant relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424;
 - (ii) Any free writing prospectus relating to the offering prepared by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant or used or referred to by the undersigned registrant;
 - (iii) The portion of any other free writing prospectus relating to the offering containing material information about the undersigned registrant or its securities provided by or on behalf of an undersigned registrant; and
 - (iv) Any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned registrant to the purchaser.

The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that is incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered herein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the SEC such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

Table of Contents

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized in the City of New York, State of New York, on August 9, 2012.

COHEN & STEERS, INC.

By: /s/ Martin Cohen

Name: Martin Cohen

Title: Co-Chairman, Co-Chief Executive Officer and Director

Know all persons by these presents, that the undersigned directors and officers of the Registrant, a Delaware corporation, which is filing a Registration Statement on Form S-3 with the Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C. 20549 under the provisions of the Securities Act of 1933 hereby constitute and appoint Martin Cohen, Robert H. Steers and Salvatore Rappa, and each of them, the individual's true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for the person and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign such registration statement and any or all amendments, including post-effective amendments to the registration statement, including a prospectus or an amended prospectus therein and any registration statement for the same offering that is to be effective upon filing pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, and all other documents in connection therewith to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact as agents or any of them, or their substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement has been signed on August 9, 2012 by the following persons in the capacities indicated.

| Signature | Title | Date |
|----------------------|--|----------------|
| /s/ Martin Cohen | Co-Chairman, | August 9, 2012 |
| Martin Cohen | Co-Chief Executive Officer and Director (Co-Principal Executive Officer) | |
| /s/ Robert H. Steers | Co-Chairman, | August 9, 2012 |
| Robert H. Steers | Co-Chief Executive Officer and Director (Co-Principal Executive Officer) | |
| /s/ Peter L. Rhein | Director | August 9, 2012 |
| Peter L. Rhein | | |
| /s/ Richard P Simon | Director | August 9, 2012 |

Edgar Filing: COHEN & STEERS INC - Form S-3

Richard P. Simon

II-4

Table of Contents

| Signature | Title | Date |
|--|--|----------------|
| /s/ Edmond D. Villani Edmond D. Villani | Director | August 9, 2012 |
| /s/ Bernard B. Winograd Bernard B. Winograd | Director | August 9, 2012 |
| /s/ Matthew S. Stadler Matthew S. Stadler | Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer) | August 9, 2012 |
| /s/ Bernard M. Doucette Bernard M. Doucette | Senior Vice President & Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer) | August 9, 2012 |

II-5

Table of Contents

EXHIBIT INDEX

The following is a complete list of exhibits filed as part of this Registration Statement, which are incorporated herein.

| Exhibit No. | Description of Exhibit |
|------------------------|--|
| 1.1* | Form of Underwriting Agreement. |
| 3.1 | Form of Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Cohen & Steers, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of the Cohen & Steers, Inc. Registration Statement on Form S-1 (No. 333-114027) filed with the SEC on May 13, 2004). |
| 3.2 | Form of Amended and Restated Bylaws of Cohen & Steers, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 of the Cohen & Steers, Inc. Registration Statement on Form S-1 (No. 333-114027) filed with the SEC on May 13, 2004). |
| 4.1 | Form of Specimen Common Stock Certificate (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of the Cohen & Steers, Inc. Registration Statement on Form S-1 (No. 333-114027) filed with the SEC on June 25, 2004). |
| 5.1 | Opinion of Salvatore Rappa, Esq., Senior Vice President and Associate General Counsel of the Company, as to the legality of the common stock being registered. |
| 23.1 | Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP. |
| 23.2 | Consent of Salvatore Rappa, Esq., Senior Vice President and Associate General Counsel of the Company (included in the opinion filed as Exhibit 5.1). |
| 24.1 | Power of Attorney (included on the signature page to the Registration Statement). |

* To be filed, if applicable, by amendment or pursuant to a document filed pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and incorporated herein by reference.