

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS INC  
Form 8-K  
April 01, 2016

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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 31, 2016

Financial Institutions, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York

0-26481

16-0816610

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

220 Liberty Street, Warsaw, New York

14569

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

585-786-1100

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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 Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On March 31, 2016, Richard J. Harrison retired from his position as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Financial Institutions, Inc. (the "Company"). As of April 1, 2016, the Company entered into a Consulting Agreement (the "Consulting Agreement") with Mr. Harrison pursuant to which Mr. Harrison will provide consulting services related to the Company's business for an annual fee of \$100,000, payable monthly. The Consulting Agreement will remain in effect for a one-year term (the "Term"), subject to early termination upon certain events. Under the Consulting Agreement, Mr. Harrison agrees to non-competition and non-solicitation covenants for a period of eighteen (18) months following the end of the Term. Mr. Harrison also agrees to abide by certain confidentiality provisions.

A copy of the Consulting Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

Exhibit 10.1 Consulting Agreement, dated April 1, 2016, by and between the Company and Richard J. Harrison.

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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.

Financial Institutions, Inc.

*April 1, 2016*

By: *Kevin B. Klotzbach*

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*Name: Kevin B. Klotzbach  
Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer &  
Treasurer*

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<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
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