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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## FORM 8-K

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### CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 19, 2005 (December 13, 2005)

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## VERISIGN, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

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Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

000-23593

(Commission File Number)

487 East Middlefield Road, Mountain View, CA

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

94-3221585

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

94043

(Zip Code)

(650) 961-7500

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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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; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL OFFICERS.**

VeriSign, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), announced that Michelle Guthrie, Chief Executive Officer of Star, News Corporation's Asian satellite television and multi-media services company, has been appointed to the Company's Board of Directors, effective December 13, 2005.

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.

VERISIGN, INC.

Date: December 19, 2005

By: /s/ James M. Ulam

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James M. Ulam  
Senior Vice President,  
General Counsel and Secretary