

**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 19, 2022 (January 18, 2022)

LendingTree, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-34063
(Commission
File Number)

26-2414818
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

1415 Vantage Park Dr., Suite 700
(Address of principal executive offices)

Charlotte NC

28203
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(704) 541-5351**

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)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share	TREE	Nasdaq Stock Market

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). Emerging growth company

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.

On January 18, 2022, LendingTree, Inc. (the “Company”) announced that J.D. Moriarty will transition into the role of Chief Operating Officer, LendingTree, and President, LendingTree Marketplace, on February 1, 2022, and that Neil Salvage will be leaving the Company, as of January 31, 2022. This announcement is more fully described in the press release attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Biographical Information for J.D. Moriarty

Mr. Moriarty, age 49, will transition to his new role from his current role as President, LendingTree Next, a position he has held since May 2021. From August 2017 to May 2021, Mr. Moriarty served as the Company’s Chief Financial Officer, and from June 2017 to August 2017, Mr. Moriarty served as the Company’s Senior Vice President for Corporate Development, responsible for strategic acquisitions.

Separation Agreement with Neil Salvage

Mr. Salvage will be leaving his role as President, LendingTree Marketplace and the Company, and his employment will be terminated without cause, as of January 31, 2022. In connection with Mr. Salvage’s departure, he will receive the payments and benefits under the Company’s Executive Severance Pay Plan (the “Plan”), subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan, including without limitation his signing of an effective general release and waiver of claims (the “Release”) and compliance with the terms of the Release and his restrictive covenant obligations owed to the Company. In addition, for his contributions to the Company during 2021 and in light of the timing of his termination, Mr. Salvage will receive a bonus of \$292,500, subject to his signing a separation agreement containing the Release.

Item 9.01. Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

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.

Date: January 19, 2022

LENDINGTREE, INC.

By: /s/ Lisa M. Young

Lisa M. Young

General Counsel

LendingTree Appoints Shiv Singh as Chief Marketing Officer, Welcomes New Generation of Leaders to Executive Team in Organizational Realignment

LendingTree announces several changes to its executive team, names Shiv Singh as new CMO

Charlotte, N.C. – January 19, 2022 - - LendingTree, Inc. (NASDAQ: TREE), operator of LendingTree.com, the nation's leading online financial services marketplace, ushers in a new generation of leaders to its executive team with the hire of Shiv Singh as its Chief Marketing & Customer Experience Officer in addition to the promotion of several team members.

Shiv Singh joins LendingTree from The Expedia Group, where he served as Senior Vice President and General Manager for the world-class travel brand, charged with driving brand loyalty and long-term customer value amid the coronavirus pandemic. Previously, Singh worked as Chief Marketing Officer for med-tech startup Eargo, successfully repositioning the brand during a crucial high-growth period for the business. Singh's impressive career also includes senior leadership positions at Visa, PepsiCo and Razorfish. The author of two award-winning social media and marketing books, Singh holds a master's degree from The London School of Economics and a bachelor's degree from Babson College.

"Shiv has first-hand experience in unlocking the scale and power of marketplace businesses at Expedia," said Doug Lebda, founder, chairman and CEO of LendingTree. "He brings to the team the ideal mix of brand and digital marketing expertise with a heavy focus on data-driven decision making. After an exhaustive executive search process, I couldn't be more confident that Shiv is the right person to strengthen LendingTree's position as the leading financial services marketplace by building lasting and trusted consumer relationships for every financial need."

"With over \$50 billion in loans served and helping over one hundred million consumers in its 26-year history, I am humbled and excited to join the company," said Shiv Singh, LendingTree's new Chief Marketing & Customer Experience Officer. "LendingTree is a consequential brand making a meaningful difference in people's financial lives with immense runway to be the ultimate consumer champion in the financial services space."

Neil Salvage, who joined LendingTree in 2013, held various leadership positions within the company, and most recently served as President, LendingTree Marketplace, will be leaving the company as of January 31, 2022. "Since Neil joined the company, he has been instrumental in bringing LendingTree to the point where it is today," said Lebda. "As much as he will be missed, I feel confident that Neil will be leaving the team in a position of strength. I believe his departure will serve as a catalyst for change, giving the next generation of leaders an opportunity to build upon Neil's success within LendingTree's marketplace businesses and accelerate our growth trajectory."

Following Salvage's departure, J.D. Moriarty will become President of Marketplace and Chief Operating Officer of LendingTree. In this role, he will oversee Sales, General Management, Business Development & Partnerships, Enterprise Operations, Corporate Development, as well as Customer Service teams.

"Ultimately, bringing these teams together under J.D.'s leadership will enable us to have greater operational alignment as we continue to execute on our strategy," said Lebda. "I could not have asked for a more skilled COO to lead the centralization of these teams and I have full confidence these business units will thrive under J.D.'s direction."

Jorge de Castro, formerly SVP of Partnerships at LendingTree, will be expanding his role as the Company's new SVP of My LendingTree and Partnerships bringing dedicated focus to all aspects of the membership-based financial services platform. De Castro joined LendingTree from Equifax where he was Head of Strategy for Global Consumer Solutions and helped craft, launch, and acquire Equifax's financial wellness businesses and key fintech partnerships in both B2C and B2B2C markets across the US, UK, and Canada. De Castro's career also includes senior leadership positions operating key consumer brands at Kraft, Georgia Pacific, and P&G. He holds an MBA from the University of Wisconsin – Madison and a bachelor's degree from Rhodes College.

Lebda stated, "Since Jorge joined LendingTree this past August to lead our B2B initiatives inside of Next, I've been continually impressed with his knowledge and expertise in areas far beyond his initial scope. Jorge's experience as a strategy leader and operator of consumer-centric businesses at scale makes him the ideal candidate to elevate the role My LendingTree plays for our broader organization, our members and our partners. I am delighted to have him join the leadership team."

Finally, LendingTree's Product team will be joining the Technology organization to create a centralized Product and Technology function, led by LendingTree CTO Scott Totman.

"For the past several years, our Product team has been divided among our various operating divisions," said Lebda. "Creating this centralized product and tech department with Scott at the helm will enable LendingTree to move closer to our goal of being a digital, customer-first Fintech organization. With this centralization, I'm confident we will be even more effective in building great products that surprise and delight consumers."

About LendingTree, Inc.

LendingTree (NASDAQ: TREE) is the nation's leading online financial services marketplace that connects consumers with the choices they need to be confident in their financial decisions. LendingTree empowers consumers to shop for financial services the same way they would shop for airline tickets or hotel stays, by comparing multiple offers from a nationwide network of over 500 partners in one simple search and choosing the option that best fits their financial needs. Services include mortgage loans, mortgage refinances, auto loans, personal loans, business loans, student refinances, credit cards, insurance and more. Through the My LendingTree platform, consumers receive free credit scores, credit monitoring and recommendations to improve credit health. My LendingTree proactively compares consumers' credit accounts against offers on our network and notifies consumers when there is an opportunity to save money. In short, LendingTree's purpose is to help simplify financial decisions for life's meaningful moments through choice, education and support.

LendingTree, Inc. is headquartered in Charlotte, NC. For more information, please visit www.lendingtree.com.

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