

LAWSON PRODUCTS INC/NEW/DE/
Form 8-K
August 05, 2010

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):

August 5, 2010

LAWSON PRODUCTS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

0-10546

36-2229304

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission
File Number)

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

1666 E. Touhy Avenue, Des Plaines, Illinois

60018

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(847) 827-9666

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

Lawson Products, Inc. ("Lawson" or the "Company"), through its Drummond American LLC subsidiary, has pursued legal remedies in various states related to the actions of several former sales agents and the Share Corporation ("Share") alleging, among other things, breach of contract and interference with the Company's business relationships. On August 5, 2010, the Company entered into a Settlement and Release Agreement with Share and various former sales agents in the amount of \$2.9 million to settle all related claims. The Company previously entered into a Settlement and Release Agreement with Share and a former sales agent for \$0.6 million.

The \$2.9 million settlement amount is due by August 20, 2010. In the event Lawson does not receive the settlement amount by the due date, the Company will be entitled to receive interest on the amount due at an annualized rate of 5.5% through August 31, 2010 and 12% from September 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010. In the event the settlement amount, plus interest, is not paid in full by September 30, 2010, Share and the former sales agents will be in breach of the agreement and Lawson will be permitted to pursue further legal action. The Company received \$0.6 million related to the previous agreement in July 2010.

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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.

LAWSON PRODUCTS, INC.

August 5, 2010

By: *Ronald J. Knutson*

Name: Ronald J. Knutson

Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer