## **U.S. 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 12, 2009.



# American Capital Agency Corp.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 005-84030 (Commission File Number) 26-1701984 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

2 Bethesda Metro Center, 14th Floor Bethesda, MD 20814 (Address of principal executive offices, zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (301) 968-9300

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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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 January 12, 2009, American Capital Agency Corp. ("AGNC", or, the "Company") issued a press release announcing that its Board of Directors has appointed Gary Kain as the Company's Senior Vice President and Chief Investment Officer effective as of January 26, 2009. Mr. Kain has also been appointed a Vice President of the Company's manager, American Capital Agency Management, LLC and Senior Vice President and Managing Director of AGNC's affiliate, American Capital, Ltd. ("American Capital"), and will be based in American Capital's Bethesda, Maryland home office. Mr. Kain will succeed Russell Jeffrey, who will leave his positions at AGNC to pursue the full time management of Providence Investment Management, LLC. Mr. Jeffrey will continue to serve as a senior advisor to AGNC.

Mr. Kain, 43, most recently served as Senior Vice President of Investments and Capital Markets at Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation ("Freddie Mac") since May 2008. From February 2005 to April 2008, he was Senior Vice President of Mortgage Investments & Structuring at Freddie Mac, during which time he was responsible for managing all of Freddie Mac's mortgage investment activities for the company's \$700 billion retained portfolio. From 2001 to 2005, Mr. Kain served as Vice President of Mortgage Portfolio Strategy at Freddie Mac. From 1995 to 2001, he served as Head Trader in Freddie Mac's Securities Sales & Trading Group, where he was responsible for managing all trading decisions including REMIC structuring and underwriting, hedging all mortgage positions, income generation, and risk management. Prior to this time he served as a senior trader, responsible for managing the adjustable-rate mortgage and REMIC sectors. Mr. Kain joined Freddie Mac in 1988.

In addition, Ira Wagner has resigned his position as Executive Vice President of the Company. Mr. Wagner continues to serve as President, European Private Finance, at American Capital.

A copy of the press release issued by the Company on January 12, 2009 is included as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

ExhibitNumberExhibit99.1Press Release, dated January 12, 2009.

#### 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.

Dated: January 15, 2009

#### AMERICAN CAPITAL AGENCY CORP.

By: /s/ SAMUEL A. FLAX

Samuel A. Flax Executive Vice President and Secretary



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#### AGNC ANNOUNCES THE APPOINTMENT OF GARY KAIN AS CHIEF INVESTMENT OFFICER

Bethesda, MD – January 12, 2009 – American Capital Agency Corp. (Nasdaq: AGNC) ("AGNC") announced today that its Board of Directors has appointed Gary Kain as the Company's Senior Vice President and Chief Investment Officer effective as of January 26, 2009. Mr. Kain will succeed Russell Jeffrey, who will be pursuing the full time management of Providence Investment Management, LLC. Mr. Jeffrey will continue to serve as a senior advisor to AGNC.

Mr. Kain most recently served as Senior Vice President of Investments and Capital Markets of Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation ("Freddie Mac"). He also served as Senior Vice President of Mortgage Investments & Structuring of Freddie Mac from February 2005 to April 2008. Mr. Kain's group was responsible for managing all of Freddie Mac's mortgage investment activities for the company's \$700 billion retained portfolio.

Previously, Mr. Kain was also the head trader in Freddie Mac's Securities Sales & Trading Group where he was responsible for managing all trading decisions including REMIC structuring and underwriting, hedging all mortgage positions, income generation and risk management. Prior to his promotion to head trader in 1995, Mr. Kain served as a senior trader at Freddie Mac, responsible for managing the adjustable-rate mortgage and REMIC sectors. Mr. Kain joined Freddie Mac in 1988 as an analyst in the Financial Research Department.

Mr. Kain has also been appointed as a Senior Vice President and Managing Director of AGNC's affiliate, American Capital, Ltd., and will be based in American Capital's Bethesda, Maryland home office.

"We are very pleased to welcome Gary to our management team," stated Malon Wilkus, Chairman, President and CEO of AGNC. "The depth and breadth of Gary's experience managing all aspects of Freddie Mac's mortgage investment portfolio – investment strategy, liability management, hedging and interest rate risk management – highlights his extensive knowledge of the agency MBS market. We believe that his skills and experience will help AGNC navigate the evolving mortgage landscape while continuing to generate attractive risk adjusted returns for our shareholders. We appreciate Russ' contribution to the start-up of AGNC and look forward to his continued good advice, and wish him well in his future activities."

#### ABOUT AGNC

AGNC is a REIT formed in 2008 to invest exclusively in agency pass-through securities and collateralized mortgage obligations for which the principal and interest payments are guaranteed by a U.S. Government agency or a U.S. Government-sponsored entity. The Company is externally managed and advised by an affiliate of American Capital, Ltd. Since its IPO in May 2008, AGNC has paid or declared \$37.7 million in total dividends or \$2.51 in dividends per share. For further information, please refer to <u>www.AGNC.com</u>.

#### ABOUT AMERICAN CAPITAL

American Capital, with \$17 billion in capital resources under management<sup>1</sup>, is the only private equity fund and the largest alternative asset management company in the S&P 500. American Capital, both directly and through its global asset management business, originates, underwrites and manages investments in private equity, leveraged finance, real estate and structured products. American Capital and its affiliates invest from \$5 million to \$400 million per company in North America and  $\notin$ 5 million to  $\notin$ 100 million per company in Europe. American Capital was founded in 1986 and currently has 11 offices in the U.S., Europe and Asia. For further information, please refer to www.AmericanCapital.com.

<sup>1</sup> As of September 30, 2008

#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This press release contains forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to various factors and uncertainties in predicting future results and conditions. Forward-looking statements can be identified by the fact that they do not relate strictly to historical or current facts. They often include words such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "estimate" and "intend" or future or conditional verbs such as "will," "would," "should," "could" or "may." Certain factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from expected results include changes in interest rates, changes in the yield curve, changes in prepayment rates, the availability and terms of financing, changes in the market value of our assets, general economic conditions, market conditions, conditions in the market for agency securities, and legislative and regulatory changes that could adversely affect the business of the Company. Persons considering an investment in the Company should consider the risks and uncertainties which could cause actual results to differ from those contained in the forward-looking statements, as well as the investment objectives, charges and expenses of the Company carefully before investing. Such information and other information about the Company is available in the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-11, as amended, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on May 14, 2008 and in subsequent periodic reports filed with the SEC. Copies are available on the SEC's website, www.sec.gov. The Company disclaims any obligation or undertaking to publicly release any updates or revisions to any forwardlooking statement for any reason, except as otherwise required by law.