

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

FORM 8-K

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **January 10, 2017**

Charles & Colvard, Ltd.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

North Carolina **000-23329** **56-1928817**
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

170 Southport Drive
Morrisville, North Carolina 27560
 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(919) 468-0399

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(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:

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**Item Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers;
5.02 Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

Effective January 10, 2017, Steve Larkin, Chief Revenue Officer of Charles & Colvard, Ltd. (the “Company”), is no longer with the Company.

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.

Charles & Colvard, Ltd.

January 10, 2017 By: /s/ Suzanne T. Miglucci
Suzanne T. Miglucci
President and Chief Executive Officer