Cogdell Spencer Inc. Form 8-K August 27, 2008

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 21, 2008

Cogdell Spencer Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-32649 (Commission File Number) 20-3126457 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

4401 Barclay Downs Drive, Suite 300 Charlotte, North Carolina (Address of principal executive offices)

28209 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (704) 940-2900

N/A

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

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ITEM 8.01 Other Events

On August 21, 2008, Cogdell Spencer Inc. (the Company) announced that it entered into a joint venture with Northwestern Mutual to acquire medical office buildings. In connection therewith, CSA Medical Partners Management, LLC, a subsidiary of Cogdell Spencer LP, the operating partnership subsidiary of the Company, and Northwestern Mutual entered into a limited liability company agreement, dated August 21, 2008, to form CSA Medical Partners LLC (the Joint Venture). The Joint Venture expects to acquire up to approximately \$350 million of medical office buildings and other healthcare facilities nationwide, predominantly associated with not-for-profit healthcare systems and large physician-owned clinics. The Company will contribute 20% of the equity capital, or approximately \$25 million, to the Joint Venture to fund future acquisitions. The Joint Venture will be the Company s exclusive vehicle for cash acquisitions. The Company will earn market based fees associated with the properties acquired by the Joint Venture.

ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press release of Cogdell Spencer Inc., dated August 21, 2008, announcing the joint venture with Northwestern Mutual to form CSA Medical Partners LLC.

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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.

COGDELL SPENCER INC.

By: /s/ Frank C. Spencer

Name: Frank C. Spencer Title: Chief Executive Officer and President

Date: August 27, 2008

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