

UNITRIN INC  
Form 8-K  
November 17, 2004

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**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): 11/16/2004**

**Unitrin, Inc.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

**Commission File Number: 001-18298**

**DE**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction Of  
Incorporation or Organization)

**95-4255452**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**One East Wacker Drive  
Chicago, IL 60601**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices, Including Zip Code)

**312-661-4600**  
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act(17CFR240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act(17CFR240.13e-4(c))
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Items to be Included in this Report

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**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers**

The registrant announced its appointment today of Donald V. Fites as a director and member of the Audit, Compensation and Nominating & Corporate Governance Committees of the Board, effective November 16, 2004. There is no arrangement or understanding with Mr. Fites pursuant to which he was selected as a director, and there are no transactions of the type described in Item 404(a) of SEC Regulation S-K involving Mr. Fites or a member of his immediate family. A copy of the press release announcing the appointment of Mr. Fites is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.01 and incorporated by reference herein.

**Signature(s)**

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.

Unitrin, Inc.

Date: November 16, 2004.

By: /s/ Scott Renwick

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Scott Renwick  
Senior Vice President

**Exhibit Index**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
EX-99.01	Press Release